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Awards Night 2002

*Lumberjack's
Sexton Instructor of
the Year*

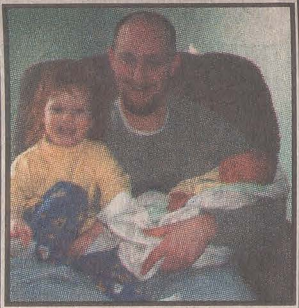
JENNI WEBB
Managing Editor

As Cristie Neubert announced the 2002 "Instructor of the Year Award," no one was there to receive it. But that turned out to be a good thing. Shawn Sexton, English Instructor/ Lumberjack Advisor, won the award but was at Alpena General with his wife and day old son, Griffin.

Sexton said, "Of course I was disappointed that I wasn't there, but I couldn't have had a better excuse."

When asked about the award, Sexton said that "respect from my students is more important than any peer recognition, but I hope students keep in mind that popular does not always mean best. ACC is full of excellent instructors."

The Instructor award was a small part of an Awards Night that focused on student achievements. Outstanding Accounting, BIS, Management, Network Adm students were recognized. Outstanding Freshman English, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Math Students were also recognized.



Shawn Sexton with Shelby and newborn son Griffin

Lumberjack Editors Say Good-Bye

KELLY POTTER
Staff Writer

With the spring semester coming to an end, the Lumberjack will be saying a few goodbyes. Six out of seven of the editors will not be returning to ACC next year. Where are they headed, and what will they be doing?

Jenni Webb, Managing Editor of The Lumberjack, has been on staff for a year and a half. She has had a lot of experience in journalism, working on three different papers in her high school career.

Jenni graduated from Atlanta High School, and after our spring semester is over she will be transferring to the University of Alabama.

Her major right now is journalism, which may change to English, computer science, or even teaching. She originally came to ACC to play softball, but after talking

to Lumberjack advisor, Shawn Sexton, she changed her mind. One piece of advice she would like to pass on to the next set of editors would be, don't let criticism

from other people who don't know what's going on get to you. Jenni plans on hopefully getting married soon, and she is also going to be a new mommy in December.

Entertainment Editor Eric Benac, from Hillman, has been on The Lumberjack staff for a year and a half also. He started out as a staff writer, and decided he wanted to be an editor because it was something he has always wanted to try.

He will be transferring to Northern in the fall, and possibly changing his major from journalism to education or English. Journalism is way too hectic for his taste. He feels that the improvement he has contributed would have to be his stories.

One piece of advice Eric would like to leave to the next editors would be to make sure you could compromise, and not have a bad temper if you want to get along.

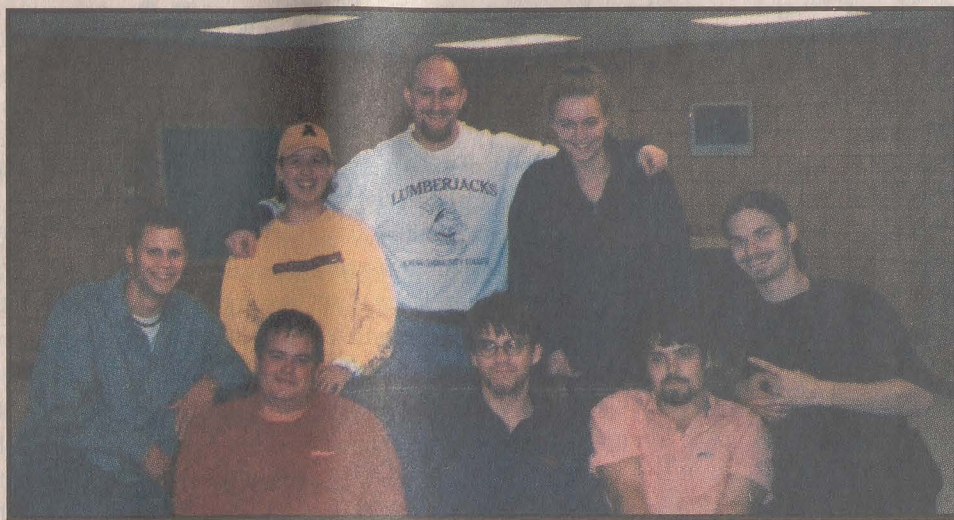


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Top Left: Joshua M. Brege, Jenni Webb, Shawn Sexton, Steph Nehring, Ryan Spaulding
Bottom Row: Tris Coffin, 2003 Returnee Chris Oposnow, Eric Benac

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ACC Summer Schedule Promises Something for Everyone

TAWNY HISSCOCK
Staff Writer

The summer schedule is out and promises something for everyone. Don't wait too long to register or you may not get the classes you want.

There are general classes offered as well as classes in specialized programs.

If you are trying to meet your basic requirements

English 111 is being offered. Personalized Fitness could not only help fill an elective, it could also help you stay in shape this summer.

For those enrolled in specialized programs there are many different classes offered. There are also some Internet courses available.

For those students in the Education program that will transfer to Spring Arbor University, an Introduction to

Mythology class is being offered. This will be a 4-week class that begins on May 13 and ends on June 6.

Although Denise Bazzett traditionally teaches this course, Dr. Priscilla Homola will teach the summer session. "This is an overflow session," says Dr. Homola, "We are trying to help those students enrolled in the Education program meet their English

requirements."

An addition to the English classes listed in the schedule is The Short Story. "We decided to add this class after the schedule was printed," explains Shawn Sexton, who will be teaching this class. This class will also count towards your English minor for those in the Education program.

If you plan on taking classes this summer, do not

wait to long to register. Registration began on Tuesday April 2 and runs through Friday June 7. Late registration begins on Monday June 10 and runs through Thursday June 13.

Most summer term classes start on June 10 and end on July 19. However, not all classes have the same start and end dates. Be sure to check the schedule for specific course dates.

Alpena, Gaylord Post Office Officials Stand by Delivery Process, Overall Service

JOBETH JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered why Alpena's mail is taken to Gaylord and then shipped back, when Alpena already has its own Post Office? Many people do and most of us don't understand why the mail is done this way.

Kim Johnson, a postal employee for 26 years, has spent the last nine years in the Gaylord Post Office. Johnson said the Gaylord Post Office is the central office for Northern Michigan and Traverse City is the central office for

Northwest Michigan. Each central office has sophisticated machines that cancel the stamps on the mail and sprays bar codes on each letter for automated sorting.

Johnson explained that mail trucks have regular routes they travel every day just like mail carriers do.

For instance, one truck's route might stretch from Grayling to Gaylord. Every day that truck picks up mail in every city between Grayling and Gaylord, bringing it to Gaylord where it is sorted, and then is shipped out by 6 am the next morning to its destination.

Jana Tuck, who's worked for the post office for

20 years and is now the Alpena Postmaster, said there's no time lost in this, plus it's cost effective.

"The Post Office does not receive money from taxes or the government, even though it is a Federal business. We are completely self-supported," Johnson explained. He said that all the money comes from stamps and postage on letters and fees paid for bulk mailings and newspapers and magazines.

Also the Post Office does not control the stamp prices. These are determined by the Board of Governors, which is composed of people selected by politicians. They have the control over raising the prices of stamps.

Johnson and Tuck both stated that rate increases were needed more frequently but at lower prices. For example, the Board of Governors could raise the

price one penny every year, instead of five cents every three years.

Tuck said she would like to see the Post Office in control of the rates, simply because they have a better idea of when a rate increase is needed and how much of an increase is needed.

Johnson agreed, saying the Board of Governors needed more people that have been in charge of large corporations and would have a better idea of costs and labor management concerns.

"The biggest advantage to the Post Office, compared to other services such as UPS and FedEx, is the fact that the Post Office delivers to every home on every street in every city in every state," Tuck said.

Johnson agreed saying, "It doesn't matter if you live in Hawaii and are

sending mail to New York. For 34 cents, you can't beat that value. We're still cheaper than most other industrialized countries."

When asked about the anthrax scare, Tuck said she noticed a drop in business but that the mail had started to pick up again. She said the employees are more aware of what goes through the mail and everyone takes second looks.

Employees are provided with gloves and masks now, but have a choice on whether they want to use them. Johnson added that despite the scare, workers were dedicated to their jobs and went back every day and did their jobs like normal.

Johnson said he would like to make people more aware of the fact that carriers are not the only employees. "Many people don't realize we work through the night to get the mail out the next day."

Every central office has employees there 24 hours a day. This means many workers work midnight shifts sorting and loading the trucks with mail.

Johnson and Tuck agreed that the Post Office has been a great place to work.

"The Post Office has supported my family all these years," Johnson said. "It's a good place to work."



Photo by Joshua M. Brege

Our mail journeys from Alpena (right) to Gaylord (left) back to Alpena before it is delivered locally



Photo by Joshua M. Brege

Interactive Technology Invades ACC

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Huron Shores

Innovative. Technical. Versatile. These 3 words describe Alpena Community College's four Interactive Television rooms. These rooms are home to what is known as ITV classes.

These classes use technology that allows two to 13 sites to be connected by up to twelve telephone lines so that they can communicate over distance in real time.

This system was originally brought to ACC ten years ago. Since then three more rooms have been added and it has become an integral part of some specialty courses. ITV is able to connect two small classes so that one instructor is able to teach them together. Cathy Kappius, ITV instructor for German 123 and 124, is appreciative. "I have classes, thanks to the system. That is the big advantage."

Four video cameras, 2 microphone bars, and 4

television screens per site keep each site aware and able to cooperate and interact with each other. Instructors can show documents over the screen on the document pad, they can teach on the white board, or even zoom in on two different students so they can debate with each other.

Technicians use computers to move and focus the cameras, when instructors need them, to any of the student's faces or the visuals.

Sensitive microphones pick up everything that is said and plays it over the speakers for everyone to hear. "This is not the normal classroom where you can have a sidebar conversation," Mike Roy, ITV criminal justice instructor warns. Students must also learn not to talk over anyone else, it will cut-off the audio on the other person. They also have to get used to being seen on camera. "The student has to get beyond self-consciousness," Roy said.

Students that know this system are aware that it connects the main campus with the Huron Shore's Campus or Lake Superior State University. It also has an unlimited amount of other connections. ACC can connect classrooms to other colleges or lease out the ITV rooms to the private sector. John Parris, ACC's LRC Media Technician, notes the cost savings that we have because we are able to use this system. The cost of the room, anywhere from \$57 to

\$150 an hour is still much cheaper than everyone having to travel to one site. The ITV system can even connect people on either side of the world.

This innovative system has been, and continues to be popular. "This is what classrooms will look like in the future," said Kappius. Roy agrees. "We're in an information age, we're going to be forced to use technology. It's only going to get more technical."

ACC Students Heading into Battle

CASEY COFFIN
Staff Writer

The Civil War ended many years ago, but the battles that brought so much to this great nation have left footprints along the way. ACC has many great learning opportunities to offer and one in particular is History 228, which covers the Civil War and it's many battles. The

class is taught by Mr. Ken Radzibon who has great interest in American history, particularly with the Civil War.

"You can learn a lot about yourself as an American through the history of the Civil War," declared Mr. Radzibon, who recently put together a trip for his history class which will

involve tours of the Antietam and Gettysburg battle fields.

The trip will be July 18-21 and will include over night accommodations at Gettysburg College, where they'll stay two nights in the dorms, and if all goes well, receive a lecture from a member of the staff on the repercussions of the war on the town of Gettysburg.

The class is fortunate enough to have received a grant from the ACC Foundation, which will help revamp the money to students enrolled in class going on the trip. This money is not to be mistaken as a rebate on tuition rather money off trip expenses.

The trip is not mandatory for those who take

the class, however, it will take the place of the term paper since the time spent working on the paper and trip is about the same in value and time. The trip is open to the public with a cost of three hundred dollars or one hundred and eighty dollars for ACC students.

All prices on the trip are subject to change

depending on the turnout but the prices will not exceed that of the above stated. "If the trip is successful, different areas may be explored to include it yearly with different stops such as Richmond and Washington D.C.," stated Mr. Radzibon. To learn more about the trip you can contact Ken Radzibon or Chuck Wiesen.

Alpena Residents Try Out For Big Brother III

JESSICA THIEM
Staff Writer

April 4, 2002- Auditions for Big Brother III, the CBS reality show, were held at the Alpena Mall by the local television station WBKB (TV-11). Representatives of CBS wanted smaller markets to get involved with the show. Individuals arrived one at a time at the Alpena Mall, from Alpena to Tawas and place in between, to show their skills on camera.

According to Bob Race, operations and production manager at WBKB, the station was asked by representatives of CBS to hold an audition in Alpena. Race also stated that he thinks it would be great for the area if someone were to make it onto Big Brother III.

Approximately 70 people picked up applications and a little less than half actually auditioned.

Individuals that wished to audition were to show up with an eight page application filled out, 2 photos of themselves, copies of drivers license and social security card, and ideas for a two-minute audition taping. Audition styles varied from one

storybook reader to one nearly exposing oneself to the camera.

The application included questions about the person's personality, interests, likes, and dislikes. It also asked for the individual's opinion on why each of them thought he/she might be a good Big Brother III houseguest.

Some people auditioned because they thought it would be fun and others because they were fans of the show.

Chris Snyder of Mikado said "I like trying something new and the \$500,000 [the prize given to the last remaining houseguest on the show] was also an incentive."

Heidi Smith, an ACC student from Tawas, said that her boyfriend thought it would be fun for her to do, so he encouraged her to do it.

All of the individuals who auditioned did it for different reasons, but they all felt the same about the location of the Big Brother III audition: they were excited and thrilled that something like this would happen in Alpena.

Anyone who would like more information about Big Brother III go to www.cbs.com and click on Big Brother III.

Student Support Service Students Seek Stratford

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Art Editor

At noon on Friday, April 26, members of the Student Support Services gathered at the ACC parking lot to begin their trip to Stratford, Canada. Dana LaBar has been working on the trip to Stratford since he became Director of the SSS over two years ago. Along with many cultural events, the highlight of the trip was seeing a performance of Romeo and Juliet. Stratford is one of the best Shakespearean theaters in North America.

SSS is funded by a

federal grant. Every four years it is up for renewal. LaBar wrote part of the 2003 grant to support a trip to Stratford, but this year's trip was paid for with money he was able to save other areas.

Jane Speer organized this year's trip. Speer worked with the Alpena Travel Services in planning the trip.

After leaving ACC they stopped in Port Huron at a Cracker Barrel for dinner. They arrived at the Shakespeare Inn at 8:00 p.m. Saturday they ate breakfast at the hotel, went on a costume warehouse tour, browsed boutiques, and had lunch at one of the local

restaurants. Later that night, they saw the play at the Festival Theatre, and after words had dinner at the Old English Parlor. Sunday they took a walking tour of Stratford and had lunch at another local restaurant before heading back to ACC.

This was a smaller trip then LaBar plans to take in the future. Next year they are planning to take a charter bus. With a charter bus they would be able to take 30 people. The SSS is also looking into going at another time of year, were they might be able to attend two plays.

The trip to Stratford benefited students. LaBar

said, "One of the objectives of the grant is for students to experience cultural events..." Some of the students had not spent much time out side of Northern Michigan. Tom Ray an English instructor who went on the trip said, "Because Alpena is so isolated it is important for students to have these experiences that are cultural, artistic, and educational."

Students who are who would like to join the Student Support Services should meet with Dana LaBar in the learning center. You can also call him at 1-888-468-6222 ext. 255.

Attention Campers : Parks to Test New Regulations

MATT PETROVICH
Huron Shores

Attention Campers! Starting this spring at Harrisville State Park, in Harrisville Michigan, campers will see a new change in operations.

Harrisville will be a test park for the Roscommon district when it becomes 100% site specific.

This will mean that any campsite in the park may be reserved for up to 14 days from May 17th through September 3rd.

This test will help to determine if other Department of Natural Re-

sources, State Parks will follow suit. The change in site specific reservation has been an ongoing process since 2000.

Last year Harrisville was 80% site specific and the response to the change was favorable. "Our customers wanted to know which site they would have.

This [100% Site specific] will allow them to select a site in advance without having to arrive early in the morning to pick a site out," said Park Manager Dan Mullen.

"This change has been precipitated by

camper request and it will be reevaluated at the end of the season to see how the service was received.

Off the road campers will still be able to camp in Harrisville. "In fact," Mullen stated. "With site specific assignments gaps will develop between reservations and make one or two night stays more prevalent.

It is important to realize that 100% availability does not mean we will always be 100% full of reservations, only that they are available. this will not be as big of a problem as it would seem.

Although this change

will affect those campers who want to go to Harrisville for longer stays without reservations overall it has been requested by the majority of campers state wide, and appears to have been well received during the 2001 camping season.

This new updated system allows campers to make reservations up to six months in advance prior to the arrived date.

Reservations can be made by phone at the toll free number 1-800-447-2757 or on the web at Michigan.dnr.com



Say Goodbye to that Money and Watch Your Car Insurance Grow



BRANDIE KOLONOWSKI
Staff Writer

Going to college, working, and just plain life most of the time requires a vehicle to get around. Students and all others who own a vehicle will notice an increase in their auto insurance if they haven't already.

The increase is due to the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA). This association is a non-profit organization that reimburses insurers who pay the medical expenses for people who are catastrophically in auto accidents.

Last year the annual MCCA fee was \$14.41 per

vehicle according to the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents. The large surplus credit given is the main reason for the increase this year. With out last year's surplus reduction credit, the MCCA's assessment would have been almost \$62.00 per car. This year it's risen to \$71.15 per vehicle and takes effect whenever policies

renew.

Michigan is the only state with the no fault law coverage's. According to the Michigan Association of Insurance Agents the combined average premium for Michigan was \$837.46. The national average was \$783.14. But it is important to remember that no state provides a more generous

benefit package than Michigan.

Michigan is the only state in the nation that pays for unlimited medical and rehabilitation benefits. Consumer Reports Magazine stated "The most successful no-fault laws is in Michigan. it puts more premium dollars in the hands of the injured people and fewer in the

pockets of the attorneys."

The increase will or already has taken place with this years renewal. If you are a student or just an auto owner looking to bring your premium down, call your agent and see what options they have to offer. Going to a higher collision or comp deductible may bring your premium down.

Just Because You Live far from the College Doesn't Mean You Can't Learn Here, Thanks to Distance Learning

COLIN SUTHERLAND
Huron Shores

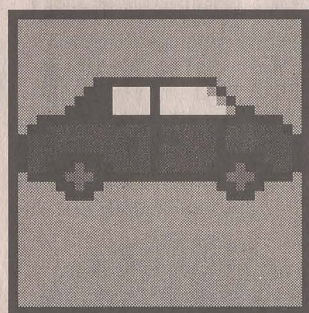
Mandy Allen needed a math course for her degree but the campus was 45 miles away. She also had a full time job and the only available class was taught during the day when she was at work. So Mandy, an Elementary Education major at Alpena Community College, solved the problem by taking an online algebra course.

Mandy had tapped onto a system called "distance learning," a way of teaching students who cannot attend regular classes.

Distance learning has existed for over a hundred years. The first courses were correspondence courses conducted by mail and as communication technology improved so did distance learning.

But the development of computers, the Internet, and, especially, the World Wide Web has revolutionized the concept. Teachers can now design courses on a web site using audio, video, multimedia, and virtual imaging and the course becomes available to anyone

with a computer and Internet access. The software used also allows easy interaction between students and teachers. College courses, occupational training, and general interest education are now available to an audience previously excluded from this



type of learning. Older students with full time jobs, single mothers, disabled people, and students located in remote areas now pursue educational goals that would have been impossible before.

Alpena Community College began two years ago to offer courses online. ACC has also joined a group of community colleges called the Michigan Community College Virtual Learning Collaborative (www.mccvlc.org). Students can take online courses at any

member college and receive academic credit at their home college.

This semester ACC is offering eight courses online. Jeff Blumenthal, Developmental Studies Technician at ACC, says that there are about a hundred ACC students taking these courses. Five or six students are from other areas of the state taking ACC courses through the Virtual Learning Collaborative.

Blumenthal works with instructors to develop online courses. He says that instructors use course management software to put course materials online in a format that is easily accessible to students and also provides for e-mail and online discussion.

It is important that students taking online courses be self-disciplined, independent learners according to Blumenthal. One of the advantages of online courses is that course work can be done when it is convenient. But students must be able to keep a schedule

and complete course work on time. He also says that

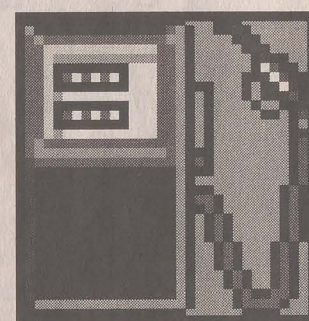
they should have good computer and writing skills since communication is done by e-mail and typed discussions. Of course, a student must have access to a computer with a web browser and an Internet connection.

Terry Hall teaches "Language and Reason", a philosophy course designed to teach reasoning and problem solving skills. Hall became interested in online instruction two years ago and decided to develop an online version of the course. First offered online last spring, "Language and Reason" is now also being offered through the VLC.

Hall and most other instructors require students wanting to take an online course to contact them by e-mail. Students fill out a questionnaire to make sure they understand the demands of the course and visit the course web site to review course materials.

Then, if they and their academic advisor feel that they are good candidates for an online course, Hall gives them permission to take the course. He said that, using

this screening method, the quality of the students in his classes has been excellent and the drop out rate has been very low.



The absence of personal contact has not been a problem according to Hall.

"I know every person in my online class," Hall said. "(An online class) is sort of like a tutoring service on a one-to-one basis, so you get to know them pretty well.

They say things to you that they wouldn't normally say in the classroom because there's nobody around listening. ... This was the biggest surprise to me. I think online

education, if it's done right, is more personal between student and teacher than the classroom."

Quality has been

another concern with online education. But Hall said that he has given pre- and post-course tests in his class for twenty years. The results of tests for the online courses are actually slightly better than results for his regular classes. He feels that the online courses are at least as good as regular classes.

Both Hall and Blumenthal said that the ACC administration has been very supportive.

They both felt that online education was an important part of the college's strategic plan and that more courses would be offered in the future as more faculty become comfortable with the concept.

How far, how fast, and in what direction online education will go is still not clear. It will probably never replace the traditional college classroom, but for many people it is the only classroom they can have so they will want more.

Even for those who continue to use the regular classroom system, online courses will provide a lot more choices just as they did for Mandy Allen.

Let "Michigan Works" Work For You

TAMARA COULSON
Huron Shores

Michigan Works..... Your 1 stop job search and placement facility.

According to Mike Pangborn, one of the representatives for Michigan Works!, this should be the first stop for any individual looking for employment rather than the "traditional door to door job hunting".

The Michigan Works! System is a collaboration of service providers devoted to serving the employment and training needs of our communities. They provide services to employers and job seekers

by accessing state and federal employment and training programs.

They serve employers, students, persons with disabilities, veterans, welfare recipients, unemployed, underemployed and employed individuals. Best of all, there are no user fees for any of their services.

Pangborn indicated that all openings are published on the Internet nationwide. Any individual from anywhere in the country can access the web page at www.michworks.org, or call 1-800-285-9675. When you reach the home page you would select the job seeker tab, which

would allow you to put your resume on the Internet, update your resume, or do simple job "surfing". An individual can search by keywords (i.e. waitress, bartender, mechanic, secretary, etc.) which would bring up all openings with those key words in it.

Pangborn added, "you can further your search by the county you wish to work in or by the title and/or wage you are looking for. This eliminates job searching that doesn't meet your expectations". Each job order listed on the Internet tells how to apply for the opening.

Other services offered at Michigan

Works! include:

Free workshops on how to design a resume, how to fill out a job application, and how to effectively interview.

Video resource's that educate an individual on how to interview, what to say, and what to avoid.

Career counselors are available to work with the youth, displaced workers and clients that are with the Work Force Investment Act Case managers are available to assess where you are in your career as opposed to where you want to go and how to get there

Representatives are available in the resource room to help anyone, even

if it's learning to run a computer

Computers are made available to individuals who want to use them for job searching, entering your resume on line, or sending your resume to a potential employer.

Copy machines, literature, and racks of pamphlets are all made available. Pangborn said that another essential program offered is their Step Up Program. This is specifically designed for sixteen to twenty-one year olds. They are encouraged to stay in school to get their high school diplomas or a minimum of a GED equivalent. These individuals are given an

opportunity at "job shadowing". The class training is 4 weeks and then 6 weeks on the job. The goal is for the individual to stay employed with that employer or be able to obtain other employment in their trained field.

Michigan Works! is a widely used useful resource in seeking employment. For example; the office located in Oscoda averages 400 visitors per month, usually higher in the summer.

Pangborn concluded, "every individual looking for employment should let Michigan Works! for them especially when it is available in every county of the United States, and absolutely free"!



DR. DON NEWPORT
ACC President

Commencement is a special event with a number of different goals. One goal is recognizing the successful conclusion of various academic accomplishments. Another goal is to celebrate new

Just What the Doctor Ordered
Commencement Time to Say Thank You

beginnings such as new skills for new jobs, new academic talents and degrees to transfer to a new school, or perhaps new insights to help build a better family or life.

After participating in commencement exercises for more than 35 years, I am convinced that commencement is also a time for giving thanks.

Thanks to a spouse for doing those things around a household that make going to college possible. Thanks to a parent for helping pay some

of the cost of attending college. Thanks to grandma for babysitting while a single mother attends classes. Thanks to an employer for the stipend and time off.

Don't forget a personal pat on the back for a committed attitude when the snow was falling and when it would have been much easier not to attend that 8:00 a.m. class.

And what about that faculty member or secretary, or custodian who always had a word of encouragement and

support? Yes, the thank you list is a long one, especially for a community college grad!

As May 9 approaches and you are deciding whether or not to participate in ACC's commencement exercises, take a moment to think about the importance of this very unique opportunity to say "thank you!"

Yes, it's a short, simple phrase, but it's one that has a real impact upon the many people that have made a difference in a graduate's life. See you at graduation!

Do You Feel That ACC
Students At



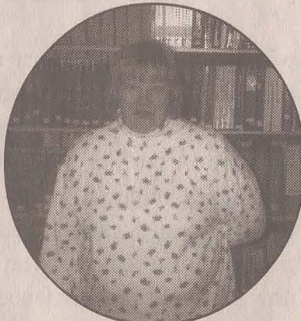
Cordell Moore

I think it gets kind of tough at the end, but I don't think the teachers overload us.



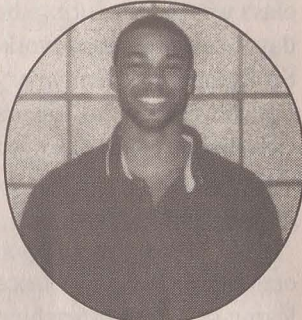
Eric Chrzan

There are so many exams at the end, and they all add up, there isn't enough time to study. Plus it's so nice outside, that is a big distraction.



Ann Bruski

I feel that the instructors usually give us proper warning and knowledge of what they expect. Most of us procrastinate and that's where the problem lies. I've done it both ways, procrastinated, & kept up with assignments; the latter method is a lot less stressful.



Shaun P Betts

No. I believe this to be preparation for life's sometimes-inflexible deadlines and tough decisions. At times I've felt "weighted" towards the end of the semester, but after exams were over feeling "weightless". I think it's a matter of budgeting time and sacrifice to be successful at what you do



Chris Oposnow

Do I look like I'm overloaded!



JESSE HARVEY
Staff Writer

In the past four weeks there has not been a day gone by that I have not read or heard of the accusations made about Catholic priests molesting children.

If these heartless Priests are found guilty, I think they should not only be burned in their churches alive, but they should be tortured so they realize that no one (not even God) will forgive these sins.

I don't know if any

Guilty Priests Should be Made to
Feel Pain of Their Victims

These problems are not new. According to history, the Catholic Church has been accused of torturing, killing, womanizing, and molesting young and old alike over the past centuries. Historically, these events have been kept "hush,hush."

The Church doesn't want people to know of the mistakes they've made in the past. I mean, what if Catholicism is not the perfect religion?

Of course, not all Priests are as sick as these men that are being accused, but I have no tolerance for the ones that abuse their power.

I do have to add that I have an ultimate respect for

the Priests that do their job with honor.

Guilty Priests should definitely be shown what it is like to be molested. Of course, we can't go back in time and hurt them while they are children (what normal person would want to do that to children anyways?) because if time travel were possible I am sure the hardened Catholics would have already changed history or better yet, covered it up.

First I think (and hope many of you parents are with me) we should dress these pitiful Priests up as woman. Then put all of them into a small cell with 125 Satan Worshipping fathers

that have been in prison for 15 years, and let the Priests take care of themselves. I really hope they can talk their way out of it, because if they don't, they may enjoy being sodomized.

If that is too harsh for most of you, then I have another suggestion. Why don't we just kill them? What a great idea! Then let their God do whatever He or She feel is best with these men's souls.

I really hope the Gods are more lenient than I because if I had the chance to be in a small room with a blowtorch, and a pair of pliers, things may get a little ugly.

Presidential Circus Continues

GREG GOUIN
Staff Writer

I believe that the presidency of this country has become a circus of incompetents and fools.

In the beginnings of our country we had proud and noble leaders. So I ask what has happened, why has the string of presidents dating back to Nixon just been a string of imbeciles.

I believe this country is doing a fine job running itself, however the presidency is a mess and runs amok of everything.

Democrat or Republican, it makes no difference; the recent presidents seem to be counter-productive.

The Clinton presidency was going

great until Clinton found himself in scandal unbecoming of a president.

Clinton's environmental plan and pro-technology ideals were really helping keep the country from stagnating and falling behind and deteriorating. Clinton was making real progress for this country but he took advantage of his power, undermining any progress.

As for our current president, much has to be said against him. First of all, he is media shy and hides away in his Texas home.

Second, he is terrible at public speaking. Third, this guy never would have had a chance at the presidency if it weren't

for his father.

And lastly, he totally scrapped Clinton's environmental plan, which shows he will plunder natural resources and contribute to Global Warming.

I think president Bush's War on Terror was a great idea, but not something any other candidate for the presidency wouldn't have done had they been elected.

My views of this matter may be offensive to some people, but I don't think there's any evidence to disprove any of them.

I think future candidates for the presidency should give all voters their resume. Is it too much to ask that when we vote that we actually vote for the person best for the job?

Long Distance Reader Applauds
Lumberjack, ACC

Dear Editors,

I am writing to tell you how wonderful your newspaper is and to thank you for publishing my mediocre writing. It truly is an honor to have my works seen by people that have no idea who I am and see it appreciated. I have never seen such a well organized and thoughtful student newspaper as yours. each author had extremely informative and opinionated writing.

I met Miss Stephanie Nehring about 9 months ago on an internet community and soon became shocked by her intelligence, opinion, and motivation. Now I see where she gets it from.

This is a great newspaper and I hope that students like you continue to keep up the good work. It is people such as yourselves that may one day help the United States government become what it

was initially intended to be. The youth of today's nation are depressing, but it is god to know there are people like you guys out there fighting to change it. There were few mistakes in the newspaper and the exceptionally good editing made up for those minute mistakes.

Might I add that all of you are wonderful writers, full of intelligent minds. I was simply intrigued by Ryan Spaulding's insight.

Stephanie really got her message across about the drug laws in Michigan. In New York the laws are equally ridiculous, thanks to Rockefeller, that rat bastard. Dr. Don Newport wrote a great article, his perspective was amazing and the statistics were shocking.

I completely agree with Jennifer Webb about the higher learning institutes of America and their ri-

diculous policies.

Eric Benac wrote a completely agreeable article about scientific finding, it was a very constructive attack. Tessa Baker's article about abortion made many great points and was extremely well written. Kari Wheeler has an interesting point of view about respect and language. The vocabulary of the average teenager has depleted from 25,000 words to a mere 10,000 since the 1950's. I was shocked to learn about the voting policy in Alpena, I find that concept absolutely absurd.

It seems that ACC is a completely well rounded institute of learning and I applaud you for this. Keep up the good work guys, it is truly appreciated!

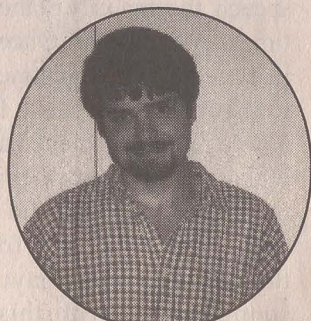
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Instructors Overload The End Of The Year?



Rich Spaiser



Eric Benac

Did you say it was the end of the year or we are out of beer?



Heidi Miller

The instructors at ACC give us an adequate amount of time to study for our end of year exams. Most of them have been preparing us all semester; we just wait till the last minute to study.



Lloyd Skiba

I don't think that teachers overload us with papers because most teachers tell you what is due at the very beginning of the semester, so you know what to get done. Most people like myself just keep putting it off till the end and then they have to cram a semester's worth of work into two weeks.



Jennifer Webb

Yes and No. If we wouldn't put everything off till the last minute, we probably would have less to do.

Looking Back, I Wonder Where it all Went

Jennifer Webb
Managing Editor

Looking back on my time at ACC, I stop and wonder where it went. As I embark on the next chapter of my college career, and my life, I would like to take the time to thank all of those involved in making my experience and time here memorable.

Although it has been an emotional roller-coaster, it has been an extremely unforgettable journey. My life has been nothing short of incredible and interesting. I have seen more at 20, then most people see by the time their 70. And I have my family, friends, and acquaintances to thank for making my life thus far so meaningful.

With that said, I would like to thank a few of those incredible people with this my last editorial as a member of the Lumberjack staff. I would like to start with my Dad. You have given me so much wisdom, guidance and support. I know that I can turn to you for whatever reason. You have been a huge inspiration in my life. With out your continuous love and (financial) support, I don't know if I could have made it

this far. I hope you will continue to be proud of me and my decisions, especially now as I embark on the next chapter of my life. I Love you and will miss you.

My brother Nick, I love you and I am very proud of everything you've accomplished thus far. Your future is full of endless possibilities.

To My Mom, I look forward to the time we are going to get to spend together and I want to thank you for all of your support. You were there for me when I didn't think I was going to make it through some of the tougher decisions. Although not in the flesh, you have been here on the phone and in spirit. I think I appreciate you more now then I have in years. I Love you and can't wait to see you!

To my future Husband and the love of my life, you make each and every day something to look forward to. You have by far been the most supportive and loving through everything that has happened to us. I look forward to starting our life together and I hope that the arrival of our first child will only bring us closer, if that's possible. I Love you!

David, although our relationship did survive where

our lives decided to take us, I think it was all for the best. We will ultimately be better people for it. Good luck in your life, and future plans. I wish you all the best.

Shawn, I appreciate all of the advice (I didn't ask for) and guidance. You made my time here memorable and fun. I wish you and your new family all the best. You are by far the best instructor I've had at ACC. Thanks for everything.

Tris, you're the best. Thank you so much for just being here. You make production a lot easier and not so serious. Lord knows you helped me through those nights of wanting to rip my hair out during production. I wish you and Jessica the best; I hope everything works out for the both of you.

Steph, the only other girl, thanks for chasing a certain someone at ungodly hours of the night, even though you knew I liked him. I hope that everything works out for you. I'm only sorry we didn't spend more time together outside of class.

Eric, Chris and Ryan, although we butted heads, and lord knows I don't understand any of you, I'll never forget the experience of working with you. It was



definitely memorable. I hope there are no hard feelings. I think I'm gonna miss you all. Good luck to all of you in whatever you embark on in your futures.

Josh, all I can really say to you is thank you for being light hearted about life. You made me stop and think. Good luck in your life. I wish you all the best.

To my readers, I hope that something that I have said in the time that I have spent here has inspired you in some way, or at least made you think. You have taught me more than I could ever tell you will words. I really appreciate all of the letters I did and didn't receive. You have helped me to become a better person and more aware writer. Thank You!

And to the upcoming staff, who ever you might be, I would just like to say SPELL CHECK. And I hope that your experience here will be as memorable as mine.

Advice from Retired Doc: Health at 40 Depends on Habits at 20

COLINSUTHERLAND, M.D.
Huron Shores

Most people don't realize that their health after age 40 depends on the habits that they develop before they are 25 years old. After they stop seeing the pediatrician most young people drop out of the preventive health system. They aren't sick and none of the people they know are either. So why bother? It would just be a waste of time and money.

Older people, in their forties, fifties and sixties, have the heart disease, diabetes, cancer and arthritis. But the groundwork for those diseases is laid when people are young. High blood pressure, obesity, poor diet, early diabetes, and lack of exercise are the building blocks for the diseases people will have when they are older. Add cigarette smoking and the risks increase astronomically.

High blood pressure. Have your blood pressure checked every year. 135/85 is "high normal" and your risks are increased. 140/90 is high and you may need treatment. High blood

pressure is usually present for many years before the cumulative effect results in coronary heart disease, heart failure, stroke, or kidney disease. Unless you have it checked regularly you will never know you have it until the damage is done.

Obesity. More than a third of Americans are overweight - 58 million people. Obesity in adolescents is also increasing. People who are obese are much more likely to have diabetes, high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol and saturated fats, and heart disease. Obese people also have higher rates of some cancers, more sleep disorders, venous blood clots in the legs, and arthritis.

The best way to decide your ideal weight is to calculate your Body Mass Index (body weight in kilograms divided by the height in meters squared). Your doctor will have a quick reference chart that will give you the answer. But a good rule of thumb for a male is 100 pounds plus six pounds for every inch of height over 5 feet (medium frame). For women add three pounds. It's not exact but it will give you an idea.

Diet. Of course you need a balanced diet but fat a cholesterol profile checked when you are 18 and then every five years if the cholesterol is under 180. In addition to the total cholesterol, the profile should include the high and low density fractions and the triglycerides (a measure of saturated fat).

Elevated cholesterol is a major risk factor for blockage in the arteries of the heart and other blood vessels but can be present for many years before it builds up enough to cause problems. If the cholesterol profile shows any abnormalities you will need dietary treatment, more frequent blood tests, and possibly medication. Even if your cholesterol profile is in the normal range, eat a low cholesterol/lowfat diet. This will significantly reduce your chances of developing heart disease and also help to keep your weight down.

Lack of exercise. Sedentary lifestyle is a major risk factor related to the development of heart disease, hypertension, obesity and diabetes. The Wall Street Journal, citing a government study, recently reported that 70 percent of

Americans don't exercise regularly and 40 percent don't exercise at all. The U.S. Department of Public Health recommends thirty to sixty minutes of exercise daily. Walking four miles per hour for forty-five to sixty minutes daily is a good program. You don't need to be a marathon runner. Do things the hard way. Walk upstairs rather than ride the elevator. Walk rather than drive distances under a mile.

Diabetes (high blood sugar). Have a blood test for diabetes. It is a very common disease. A mildly elevated blood sugar will probably have no symptoms at all. But early diagnosis and aggressive dietary treatment of diabetes can reduce the risks of the eye and kidney problems related to this disease.

Your doctor may add other tests or examinations depending on your personal and family history. You will also need regular updates on your immunizations. But if you keep your blood pressure, cholesterol, and sugar normal, exercise regularly, and maintain your ideal weight you will have gone a long way toward avoiding problems in the future.

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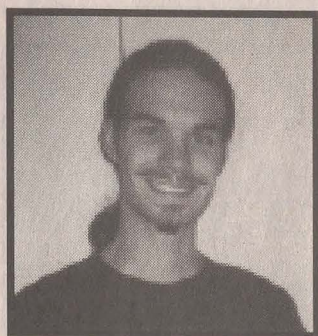
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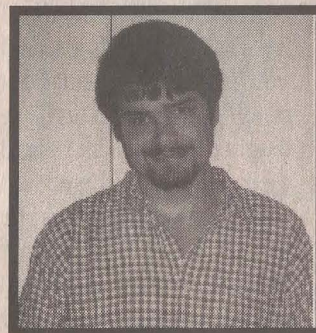
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RYAN SPAULDING
Feature Editor

This is it, the last time all my adoring fans will ever get to read my column. Speaking of fans I would like to mention one person, who I have no idea what their name is, but they came up to me while I was working and said that they enjoyed my column, saying quote, "it's cool that someone has something to say."



ERIC BENAC
Entertainment Editor

Well, this is it. The last issue of the Lumberjack I'm going to be writing for. It's been good times, hasn't it? I mean, overall. Overall, I've tried to be hard hitting, funny, or at least entertaining. Sure, there were some down points. Of course I mean Taco's Vs. Pizza. There's a really funny story behind that.

Then there are the up sides. Like my patriotism editorial. I was particularly pleased with how that one turned out. During the crazy times immediately following September 11th, and with

In the Mind of Ryan Spaulding... Final Thoughts

Now unfortunately I couldn't thank this person at the time because I was busy. It was really cool that a person I don't know can come up to me and say they enjoyed my work. It makes me know that what I've done has had an affect.

I'd like to say that I started doing this not to win any stupid awards or to gain acceptance at any cool clubs. I did it because it's fun. People take life too seriously, and then again some take it not serious enough. All I want to do is have fun. So lets begin the fun.

Here's a wild idea that just might work, we

take all the serial killers in the world and all the suicidal people in the world, and bring them all together. Think really hard about this one, you would be taking care of two birds with one stone. The killers get to kill and the suicidal people get to die. It may sound morbid and inhumane, but it might solve some of the overcrowding problems we have in prisons and mental hospitals. Think about it this way, wouldn't you rather have serial killers, who are going to kill anyways, killing people who want to die, instead of innocent people who want to live.

One thing that I find

a little morbid about Christianity is the whole cross thing. To Christians the cross is a symbol of faith, at a sign of their religion. The thing about the cross is that it actually is a symbol of death. Thousands of people were crucified before Jesus was ever hung, and yet now that this torture device was used to spill the blood of Christ we are just to forget all the other blood it's spilt? I find it kind of sick that we hang this symbol from our necks and from our walls.

Did you ever notice that this town is mostly made up of banks, churches, and bars?

Does anyone truly

know what the purpose of those bio-dome things was? You never here about them anymore, so obviously they didn't work. Come on do you really believe we were going to put one of those on Mars?

I don't know what was so great about Albert Einstein? He founded one of the most volatile and deadly forces known to mankind, something that slaughtered thousands of people, and yet we praise him as a genius. I suppose the creators of mustard gas, and anthrax could be considered geniuses too in retrospective.

I think it's about time that instead of aliens

coming here, we should go and find their planet and anal probe them. You think we'd be able to do this soon.

Whenever some actor or musician wins an award, and then gives a speech, the majority of the time they thank God. Once just once I'd like someone to thank Satan because I have a feeling he played a bigger role in getting them that award than God did.

I would like to thank all those who have supported me with this column and thank those who wished I'd shut the hell up. I couldn't have done this without you. See you in the funny pages.

Merciless Editors, Staffwriters Contribute Positive Experience

rampant and frightening racism towards people from the Middle East, I tried to calm this down. Of course, it's hard to calm so many people down. But I tried.

And there was more to my stay here than just the editorials I contributed. I wrote several music and book reviews for the paper. The one I am the proudest of is my David Byrne review. Originally, it was better but we had to cut a lot of it out, due to size constraints. It still stood up well, I thought.

I took pictures often too. I took pictures of the Halloween dance, pictures of the homecoming basketball game and the dance, pictures of a concert in a guy's garage (along with Chris Oposnow), and pictures of the Pied Piper basketball game. These pictures, though not the best pictures, were the best I could

offer, and I offered them with pride.

I'd like to think I made some impact on the other editor's lives as well. Whether it was through friendship, or through angering. It wasn't always the happiest place to be, in the Lumberjack office. Fights were commonplace during production week. Of course, this is what happens when several people who have nothing in common, are told to work together for many hours a day, almost every single day of the week. Tempers and tensions boil. Egos are smashed. Feelings are hurt. But in the end, a newspaper was somehow placed together. It's amazing to think back on the fights, and it's difficult to imagine us putting out one paper, let alone six. But we did.

I would like to thank

my fellow editors. Thanks to Jenni for telling me I was wrong, when I was and sticking to your point no matter how hard I argued against you. It was this tenacity that helped keep the other editors in line.

Thanks to Josh for the pictures he took. You wouldn't believe how many photo's Josh has had to take, how many things he had to go to to take them. The fact that his photos were good was also nice.

Thanks to Tris as the oldest editor on the staff, for having that "grandfatherly" role, even though he's only 25. A constant source of humor, yet also someone who could pull his weight and get things done. And as someone who likes almost all music, he was easy to appease during out "music wars."

Thanks to Chris for being a constant source of humor. You kept the atmosphere light, but you would get serious when it was needed, and you wrote some good editorials (Chick Tracts deserve criticism) and did some great comics, and white art.

Thanks to Ryan for his humor, his great editorials (In The Mind Of Ryan Spaulding) and the best comic of all time (In The Mind Of Earthworm). Although your work sometimes clashed with the papers schedule, this is out of your control, as you need your job. Ryan also wrote great stories, reviews, and some of the best headlines I've ever read.

Thanks to Steph for her hard hitting editorials. She wrote about some very controversial stuff, and she did it well. She may not have

talked much, but she got her stuff done.

Most of all, I'd like to thank the staff writers we've had to work with throughout the year. If it weren't for you guys, we would have to write all these articles ourselves! And thanks for being merciless when you critiqued our paper. It helped.

I'd lastly like to thank the readers of the paper, because in the end this is all for you. We don't put out a paper to please ourselves. We put it out to please our readers. And I hope we succeeded at least more than we failed.

Other than the Layne Staley biography, this is my last article for this newspaper, and my last words to the world, from this paper are these: I hate when it snows in April.

Swinging a Club not Enough for Golfers to be Considered "Athletes"

PHIL WENZEL
Staff Writer

Is golf really a sport? This is an often debated and hotly disputed topic on sports-talk radio shows. Now, I know that Tiger Woods is arguably the most popular "athlete" on the planet, but that doesn't change the fact that golf is a game and not a sport.

Did you notice how I placed "athlete" in quotation marks? I did that for a reason.

Golfers are not really athletes. Athletes run, jump, and throw. They don't walk and ride in golf carts.

Walking doesn't constitute physical activity because anyone can do it. I can walk and I am by no means an athlete. I can also ride a golf cart, and I am capable of swinging a golf club. Where does the physically challenging part come in?

Golf is actually a contest

of AIM. In that regard, it's a lot like darts. You must practice until you perfect the skill of aiming the golf ball well enough to hit the target; that is where the challenge of golf comes into play.

I know what the avid golfer is thinking now: Isn't aim the key to all sports? No, it is not. Sure, you need to aim where you want a baseball to go after you hit it, but then you have to run (not walk, mind you) to first base. You also have to jump and

dive to catch balls when your team is playing defense.

Quarterbacks need to have good aim in order to hit their receivers who may be sixty yards away, but they have eleven gorillas in jerseys of a different color trying to beat them to the ground. When a golfer can hit the green while avoiding being tackled by the Bronco's defensive line, I'll be impressed.

Basketball and hockey are also about aim, but I believe

there is also a lot of physical activity too. Hockey, like golf, has clubs, but they are a lot bigger and the players get to swing them at each other.

Before all you avid golfers chastise me for calling you wimps, I must say that I have played golf before and it can be a very fun and relaxing game. It is a fine activity for us young people who aren't athletes or for older people who aren't as fit as they used to be. Playing golf

doesn't make you a wimp; just don't call yourself an "athlete."

The fact that on any given golf course at any given moment you can find someone who is over 70 is one more reason golf can't be a sport. When Al Kaline can return to Tiger Stadium at 70 and shag fly balls like he did so well 40 years ago, then maybe golf can be a sport.

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Artist of the Month



ARTS AND KRAFT

ACC Student Has Eye for Capturing Children in Photos

JESSE HARVEY
Staff writer

Lisa Marie Kraft is a woman that will always stand by her artwork, photography, and her family.

Lisa is a 25-year-old ACC student who is seeking a degree in early education, and a minor in the fine arts. She is a very active student who not only participates in ACC's colligates singers, but is also very fond of theater. Lisa has even dedicated her time to help make props, lend a hand with set design, and is a theater intern this semester.

Lisa's photos have inspired her family and friends to take their children to her when looking for that energetic photographer who motivates their children to smile and be active. "I refuse to take photos of children who are cranky," Lisa said, "If they won't work for me I won't

push them, I'll just wait until another day."

Lisa feels that pictures of children are best taken right after they wake up. She also said that if her love for pre-school education doesn't work out, she feels comfortable enough to take portraits of people and children.

Her fondness of art doesn't just stop at photography. She has also been involved in ceramics and design for the past couple of years. Laurie Wade, an ACC art instructor, and Tom Sherrill-Mix, ACC photography instructor, both said that Lisa's art shows a lot of experimentation and technique.

Lisa feels that ceramics is an excellent way to express herself. At one time, it used to be her favorite way to do so, until she buckled down and started taking her photography more seriously.

Do not even think that is all Lisa has to offer. Lisa also loves writing nonfiction,

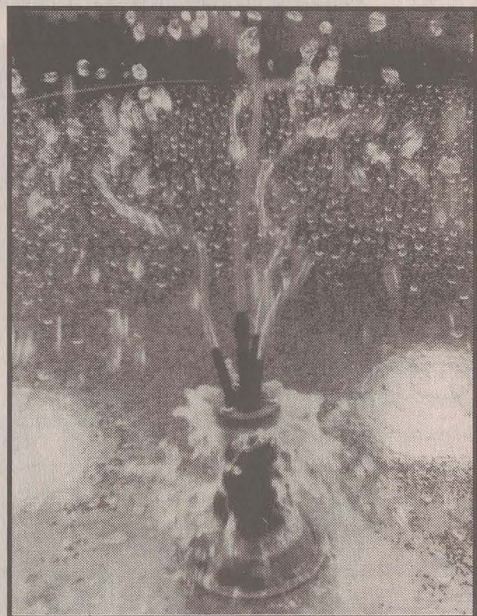
poetry, and she said she could even record a record if she put her effort into it.

Lisa, a Salvation Army Soldier, dedicates much of her life to her church. In seventh grade she started to teach Sunday school. This summer she is going to dedicate some of her fun in the sun to her church. She will be going to a Salvation Army camp where she will find herself surrounded by children. She is also trying to dedicate some of her time to a new program called "Safe From Harm".

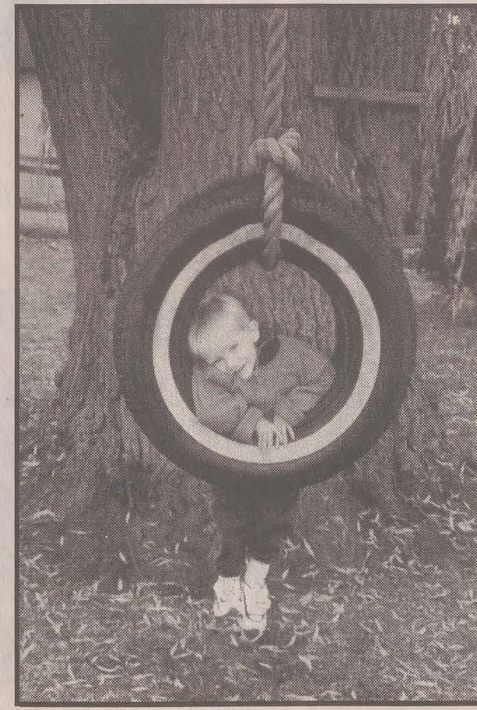
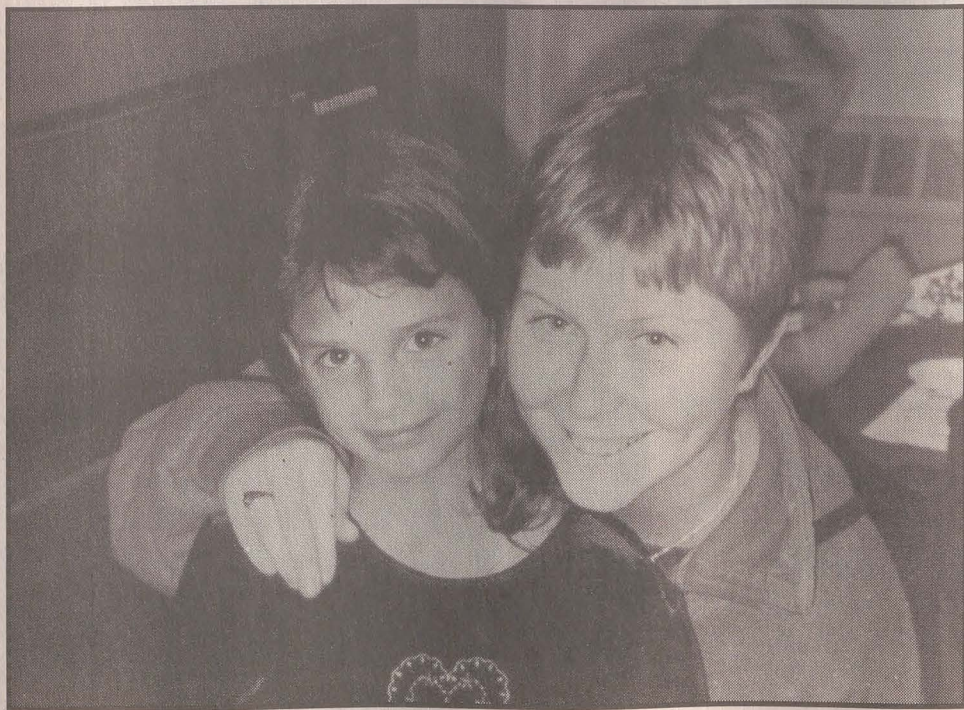
"Safe From Harm," Lisa said, "is a program where there are always two adults, whenever children are around. It is safety for both people."

Lisa also had some advice to offer new and remaining students. "You have to have a class you can have fun in," Lisa said, "An art major may not want to take an art class because they may be too serious to enjoy it."

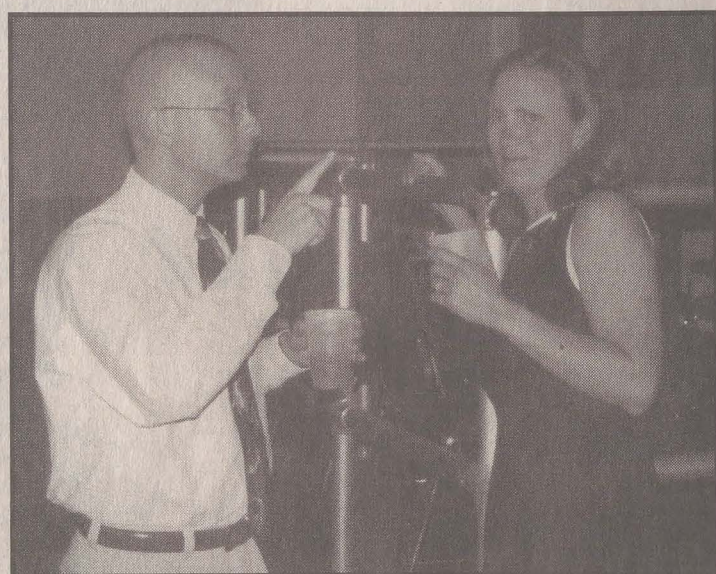
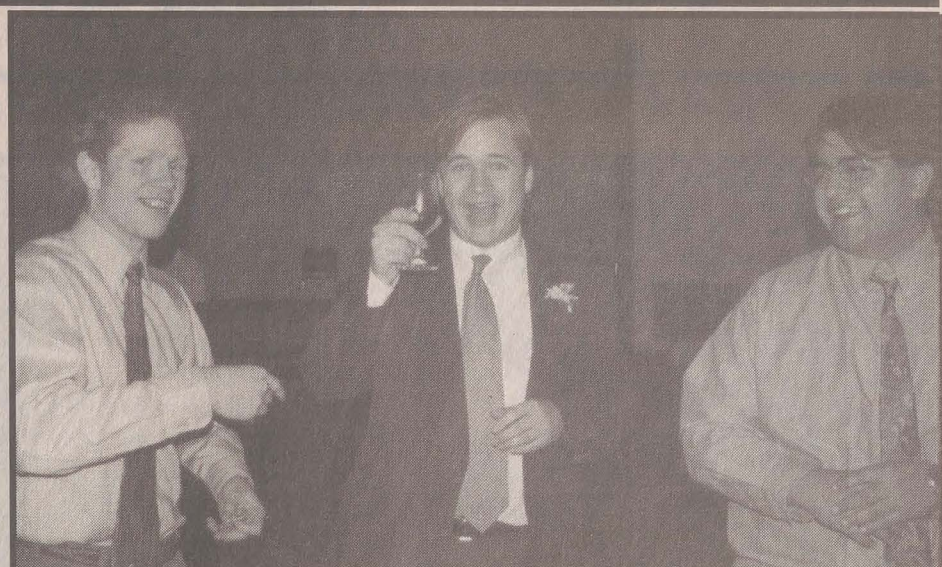
If anyone is interested in seeing Lisa's fabulous photographs, or some of her other artwork, make sure you stop at the art show on May 3, 2002. All pieces of art will be on display from 7 to 9pm at the East Campus Arena.



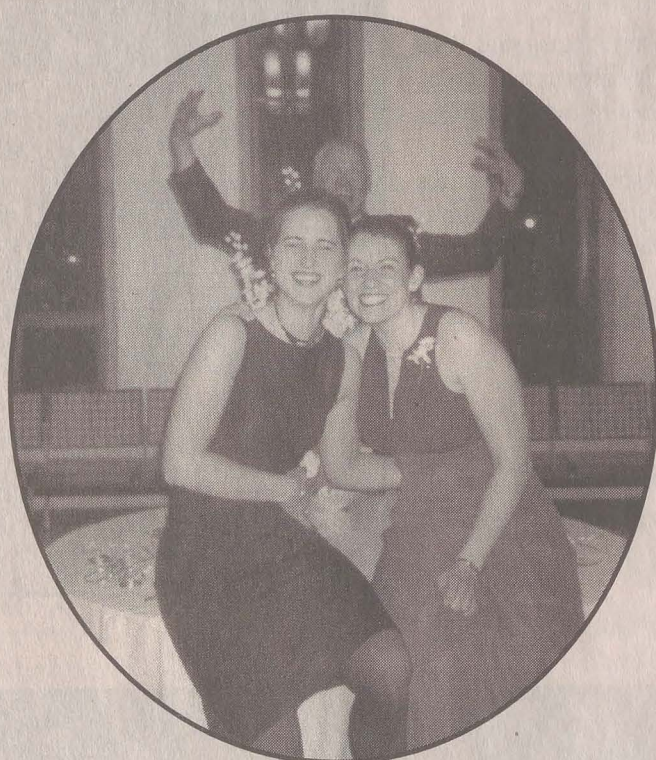
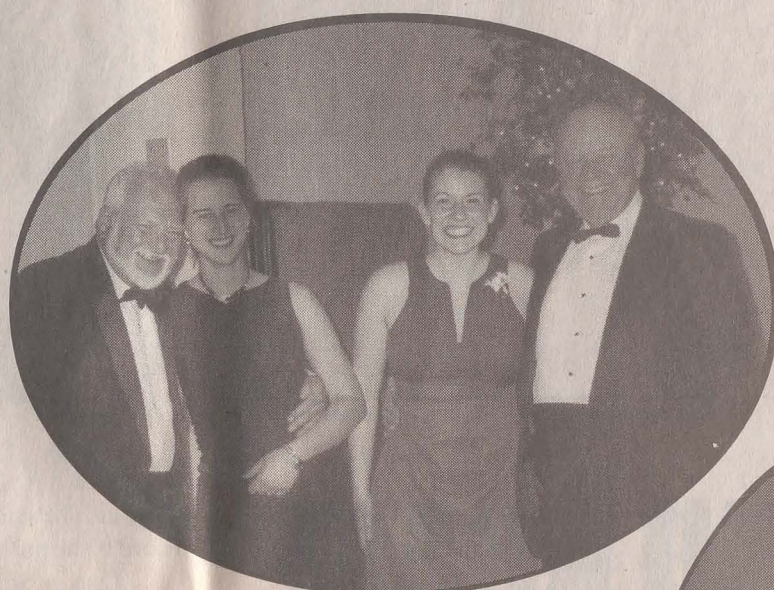
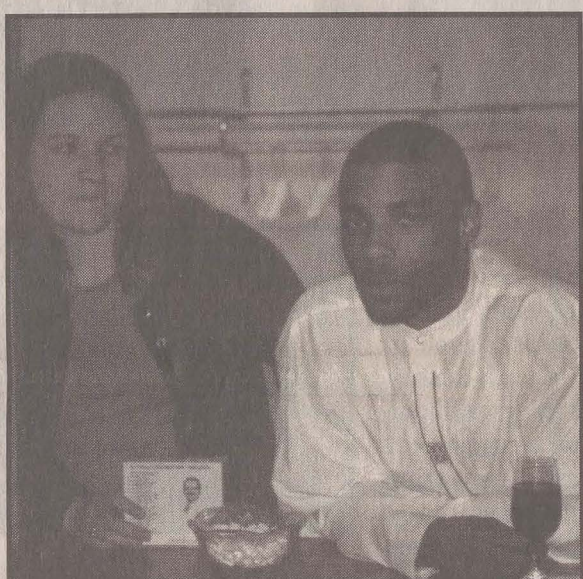
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LOOK WHAT



YOU MISSED!!



Photos by Joshua M. Brege

The Alpena Community enjoyed a Spring celebration sponsored by the ACC Student Senate. Students, staff, and the community danced to the sounds of Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians and TSA Video Dance Party.



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Softball Team Off and Running

JESSICA KUCHINSKI
Staff Writer

Hey batter; batter is what you might hear right now around campus. ACC softball season is now in full swing literally. With four wins and six losses and 14 games left to play, the ACC softball team is doing well in conference.

One member of the team Mandy Vekaryasz said, *"The season is going great, we have a really strong team this year. We make mistakes, but so do other teams."* She also added that

when the team is on they are great competition.

This is what ACC

team; they just have some things to work on. They need to get rid of some errors and they are very competitive".

Noel said that the strengths for this year's team, is that the strengths for this year's team, is that they all get along very

well, there is great teamwork atmosphere and they all have good attitudes.

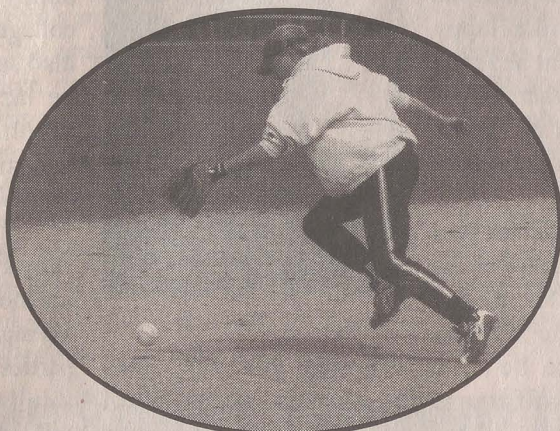
Weakness that the team needs to work on is their mental errors on the field. They execute the play a little too quick. Both coaches know the team is capable of more.

"We try to keep the practices fresh they do different drills, the

also mentioned that the girls on the team are more experienced and they have two coaches who played college ball so they know how it is.

So a major goal for the girls this season are to win, finish 500 or better in conference tournament, make it to the top 3. Noel said, *"They*

have the potential to make it to tournament opportunity to do it. So good luck to the softball team the rest of the season."



Werda goes for the ball.

softball coach's Noel Schluter and Shannon Woloszyk had to say about how the team was doing this season. *"They are doing well compared to last year. They are a really good*



The batter takes a cut.

practices are intense, and everyone is focused on what has to be done, and everyone is focused on what has to be done." Noel said about the key to a successful season. She



Stephany Esch and Amanda Vekaryasz collide.

Photos By Joshua M. Brege



Erin Riopelle to Heather Montie.



Erin Riopelle Makes the throw to first.

ACC Player Profile Heather Montie

ADAM CARPENTER
Staff Writer

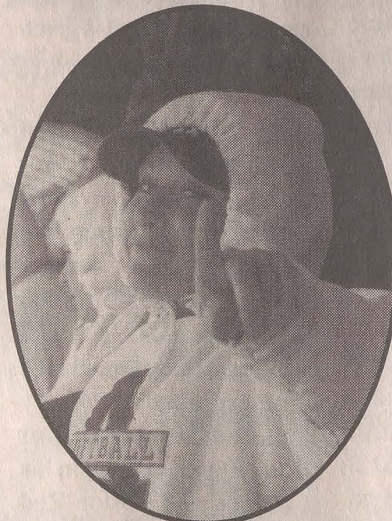
One reason the ACC women's softball team has already surpassed last year's team, is due to talented freshman, Heather Montie.

Heather adds a lot of athleticism and experience to the team. She has played softball for 11 years, basketball for 7 years, volleyball for 1 year and flag football for 2 years.

While playing softball for Alpena High School Heather did pretty well. Her senior year received both All-Conference and All-Region 2nd base awards. During the summer on her Huron Shores Tournament team, Heather helped lead them to the state championship game 2 years in a row, becoming state runner-up each time.

Academically Heather doesn't shy away

either. In high school she averaged a 3.7 G.P.A. and after her 1st semester of college she has a 3.3 G.P.A. Her future plans are to trans-



fer to Michigan State University and to major in Business management.

Heather feels the support of her family and friends have helped her a lot over the years. Her parents are Floyd and Nancy and she has a brother, Nick 19 and a sister Angela 16. One good

friend Eric Chrzan had this to say, *"Heather is a very spontaneous and outgoing girl. Nothing gets her down and she always has a smile on her face."*

In her free time Heather likes to hang out with her friends, go camping, fishing, and also makes the occasional trip to a mall or two. She has also lived on a farm her whole life. She enjoys working on it and helping her dad.

Heather says one hard thing about playing college softball is playing with girls you never meet before.

Which makes it hard to come together as a team. Whereas in high school all the girls knew each other and already played with one another.

It is easy to see that Heather attributes a lot to the team with all of her talents and is also a great person to be around.

ANDY KELLER
Staff Writer

The Alpena College golf team recently opened their season against high competition downstate, curious to see what their golf game is made of.

They definitely had their work cut out for them, having no golf experience yet this season because of the snow and wet covered courses in Alpena.

"When your first tournament shot is your first shot in six months your confidence is definitely not at the high level you would like it to be," says number one player Andy Benson.

At the Henry Ford Invitational tournament, Brett Anderson topped off the scorecard shooting an 83, while Andy Benson followed with a score of 90. Matt Frantz, Andy Keller, Ross Sherlund, and Jeff Lasecki all trailed with scores between 100-110.

ACC Golf Team Swinging For Success

The team's second tournament, a St. Clair Shores Invitational was much improved from their first while Brett Anderson again led the team with a score of 79, while Andy Benson again followed just behind with an 82.

Matt Frantz says, *"The best thing about college golf is having good times with all the guys on the trips and playing the game we love at a higher level."*

The Alpena team consists of all walk-on players, while they played all scholarship high caliber players, so they are not looking to place at every tournament, but to just improve and have as much fun as possible.

Though the team did not place in their first two tournaments, every team member improved their score from the first tournament to the second.

They also gained much needed experience and feel they are moving in a very positive direction.

The team has very hard matches coming up, especially at Egypt Valley in Grand Rapids, where even the Senior PGA hosts a tournament. They also host their own invitational at the Alpena Country Club, which the guys are excited for because they know the course well and are looking to shoot good scores.



Good Luck
ACC
Golfer's

Last Home Match
May 3rd
Vs
Kirtland C.C

Hockeytown Waits To Crown Its Champion

PHIL WENZEL
Staff Writer

The Detroit Red Wings were the most powerful team in the NHL throughout the 2001-02 regular season. Now their fans hope they can power their way through the playoffs and bring the Stanley Cup back to Motown.

The Wings finished the regular season on April 14 with a 5-3 loss to St. Louis. Despite dropping their final game, they ended the campaign with the league's best record and have clinched home ice throughout the playoffs.

They secured home ice by compiling 116 points, 15 better than any NHL team. That is the second highest total in team history. They earned 131 in 1995-6.

Brett Hull, signed as a free agent last off-season, paid immediate dividends. He had 30 goals and 33 assists in his first season in Detroit. Other Wings having good years included Brenden

Shanahan with 37 goals, Sergei Fedorov with 31, and Luc Robitaille with 30.

Still, the team was probably happy to see the regular season come to an end. They dominated the first six months of it, but near the

slump behind.

The attitude of the team is extremely optimistic. "If everyone does their job, we should be fine," said Hull. Teammate Chris Chelios echoed that sentiment, saying, "I've just got to go out and hope this is our year."

The main question for the team's fans before the playoffs was whether or not Yzerman would be able to play in them. It was

answered when the Captain himself said, "Yeah, I'm going to play. I feel good. I always wanted to play come playoff time."

They'll have their work cut out for them against the Canucks. Vancouver was the hottest team in the NHL coming into the playoffs. They led the league in goals with 254, and since Christmas have a record of 28-9-3.

The going got tough in game one, which saw the Wings lose 4-3 in overtime. Vancouver stunned them again in game two, beating them 5-2. Game three and four went to the Wings 3-1 and 4-2.



The Dominator gets set up for a blast.

end had fallen into a slump. In their last 10 games, they won only once and had five losses.

One reason for the slide is that many of the Wings' veteran players had not been playing a lot during that stretch. Some were given time off to rest up for the playoffs. Others, like team captain Steve Yzerman, were battling injuries.

The day after the regular season ended, the Wings began preparing for their first round series against Vancouver. They held an extensive and intense practice at Joe Louis Arena, hopping to leave their late season

2002 Detroit Tigers Have Faith

DAVID CABLE
Staff Writer

With all the hype of the Detroit Red Wings play-off run, some might not have been tuned into the Detroit Tigers first month of the 2002 Major League Baseball Season.

The Tigers opened the season on a consecutive losing streak. After the end of the sixth loss, the Detroit Tiger's organization fired team manager, Phil Garner. Replacing Garner is former bench coach, Luis Pujols, who was signed to a one-year contract. After giving some thought about joining the Tigers, Felipe Alou also joined the team as Bench Coach to Pujols. Pujols and Alou have already won a few games for the Tigers since their placement as coaches.

Commentators say that the Tigers are not expecting to be an immediate success by any means, rather just get better on a day by day basis. There are a few new faces for the Tigers this year



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as well, most notable likely being slugger first baseman Dmitri Young. Young will replace former Tiger's first baseman Tony Clark, who is now with the Boston Red Sox. Dmitri Young is ex-

pected to add batting power to the Tiger's lineup.

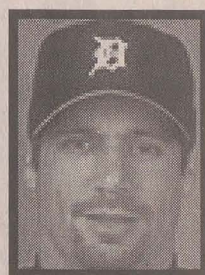
The Detroit Tigers finished last season with 66 wins and 96 losses under manager Phil Garner. With the new manager in Pujols, perhaps the Detroit Tigers will improve their win/loss record. Luis Pujols is not new to managing a baseball team. Last year Pujols managed in the Double-A ranks, which credits his managing experience. It is early in the season at this point and only time will tell for the 2002 Detroit Tigers season.

Want to support the Tigers out at new Comerica Park? You can do just that and attend a game at the ballpark. Those interested can pursue tickets online at <http://www.detroitigers.com> or dial and charge by phone at (248)-25-tiger.

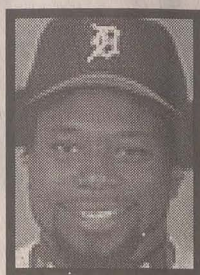
Faces To Look For This Year



Jose Lima



Bobby Higginson



Dmitri Young

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ACC Player Profile Andy Keller

JAMES MAYNARD
Staff Writer

If Happy Gilmore became a 3rd grade teacher, you just might have Andy Keller.

Andy Steven Keller has been playing Gold for about 5 years. He finds his golf game a lot like Happy Gilmore's in that he tends to swear a lot when he has a bad day, and has more than once been penalized for it.

Andy said the best time he ever had was on his senior trip. He and 3 buddies went to Cancun Mexico where he also found the best golf course he ever played on.

He added that the only other course he played on that compared was at St. Leucia, where he attended his mothers wedding.

Andy went to high

school at Alpena High. Where he played soccer for the Wildcats and holds the record for most goals in a game. However he, along with a few other

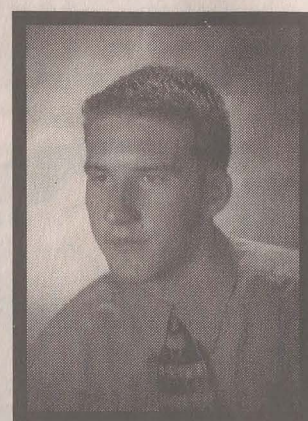
with them, mainly from helping out with his younger brother.

His greatest inspiration comes from his grandfather. Who even though sick, and having endured multiple heart attacks, still makes the most of every day.

Andy's mom is happy with his choice of college and major. But she also said that he tends to be lazy and parties too much, and needs to become more responsible for next year.

His good friend, Lloyd Skiba, confirmed his mother's concerns by saying, "Andy is wild and parties hard; there's rarely a dull moment when he's around."

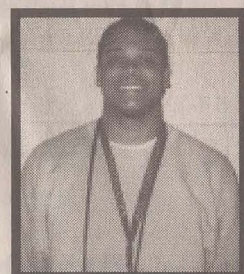
Andy is excited about this year's golf season. He said that he really enjoys seeing all the different towns and courses, and has high hopes for the season.



starting players, was suspended and could not play in the state tournament his senior year.

Andy is planning on attending Central Michigan University next year to become an elementary teacher. He said he loves kids and is used to dealing

Show Me The Skills



ERIK PARKER
Staff Writer

Today's question is, are athletes worthy of making the millions of dollars they make? A few say they don't a lot say they do. You have players saying "show me the money" and inside of owners and fans saying "show me the skills". There are athletes today that play for the money and some who play because they like the game or they love going out and performing their best in front of thousands of people.

Since the early 90's the pay of these players has risen to new heights. From former Texas Ranger Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan back then being the first player to have a contract that was worth more than \$1.2 million a year to now Kevin Garnett who's a kid straight out of high school with a contract that is worth \$121 million over 5 years to the biggest contract in sports history at \$256 million over 6 years given to Alex Rodriguez.

Now I'm not against athletes making the millions of dollars they do but, what I

don't like are players getting that money and turning into flops for 2 to 4 years then go to another team and play good for a year then ask for more money. Or how about when players are being paid about \$3.5 million a year and say their not being paid enough and say they want an increase in their contracts just because they aren't getting as much as the next man. I think that some athletes play for the money and that's a prime example. Instead of taking 3.5 million they want \$8 or 10 million like their fellow teammate and if it isn't given to them they want to sit the next season, be traded, or sit out until the contract is given to them.

Classic examples of guys wanting to be traded or traded because they wanted more money are players like Juwan Howard who since signed 7 year \$56 million hasn't lived up to his potential along with one of baseball's premiere players Manny Ramirez who signed a 7 year \$136 million contract in his first year as a Boston Red Sox did not perform like Boston had hoped. Sometimes it just might be the fact that some players just want to make more than others and it just seems like an on going con test.

In my last thought of the topic let's think about the athletes who actually make their money not saying

basketball, baseball, football, and hockey players don't because after all they do work very hard to get their bodies in great condition to go out and get banged up every game they play but, let's look at golfers and boxers who have to been in a certain spot to win a certain purse of money. Such as boxers, who ever wins the match wins the most money and in golf the top three finishers get paid the most and the other players get paid the minimum for just playing in the tournament. In my opinion that's earning your pay by every play because, you're being paid by what you're doing at the time. The reason for that statement is that in basketball Shaquille O'Neal could go from averaging 30 points a game to 18 and still make his big time money and in baseball Barry Bonds can go from hitting above .300 to hitting .220 and still get paid big bucks. As to a golfer like Tiger Woods if he goes 10 strokes over par he's not going to win much and for a boxer such as Evander Holyfield if he gets knock out and loses he won't win the larger purse. Again not saying that athletes aren't worth their pay but I just don't like to here, them complain about their pay because some make more than the average working man or women will

in 10 or 15 years. This is my opinion and is how I feel about the topic.

I Graduated, Can I Go Back to Bed Now

RYAN SPAULDING
Feature Editor

Graduation is here for all of you, who have worked hard, paid their dues, and their tuition. For some this is the end, for others it's just the beginning, but one thing is for sure it is the beginning of something much greater than school, and that is life.

I'm going to try and keep this as cliché free as I can, but nothing you've learned in any of your books will ever prepare you for the real world, unless there's an actual book about that and you've read it, then you probably are prepared. Otherwise school only provides you with the knowledge you need for a particular career you're interested in. There isn't a chapter in the book about Biology that teaches you how

to make a presentable resume to send to the science career you had in mind. There isn't a section in you're



educational learning courses that will teach you how hard it is for most teachers to find jobs. How about a class that will help you find a good affordable home to live in?

What college doesn't tell you is that it is a dog eat dog world, and life is very hard. I know this is a buzz killer for you all, but hey someone has to say it. I know

that I may not be the most credible source, but if you want another opinion ask your parents or someone who knows, preferably an older person. I myself have a while to go before I have to taste "the real world" and I am very nervous.

The crazy thing is that there really is no great way to prepare. You and only you have to take what life throws at you. You can't prepare, and if you try to then you're experiencing life all wrong. You cannot plan ahead for life, no matter what you do. That's the chaotic joy of life. Something no class will be able to teach you.

My advice is to roll with the punches, and whenever possible hit back. Have as much fun as you can because if you cannot enjoy life then what sense is in living it?

Survey Seeks Student Input

KEELY FAIRCHILD
Staff Writer

ACC's Enrollment Management Committee has found a way to find out exactly how students feel about resources and their experiences at ACC.

The Community College Survey of Student Enrollment (CCSSE), given by the University of Texas Community College Service Unit, will show the administrators and staff at ACC what they can do to better student learning experiences. ACC is one of 50 colleges taking the survey, but the only community college in Michigan participating in it.

It was patterned after a survey developed for four-year institutions and will

allow ACC to get feedback on many things, including the resources they provide. Some of the questions of the survey deal with registration, student expectations of ACC, what impact peers had on the decision to come to ACC, access to a computer/internet at home or the office, and also online-instruction.

According to Max Lindsay, Dean of Students at ACC, the survey was given to approximately 550 ACC students; the class sections being randomly picked by the University of Texas. From introduction to the end, the survey took approximately 25 minutes.

The surveys, which started to be distributed in February, were done being handed in mid-April. ACC student Jesse Harvey said

"It was monotonous at first, but I think if everyone answered the survey truthfully, it will probably be helpful for the student community." He took the survey in Ms. Ricker's State and Local Political Science Class.

According to Lindsay, the tests will be sent back to the University of Texas where they will compile the results and send them back to ACC this summer. They will then be distributed across campus to instructors and administrators of facilities.

Now, students can say that they have an impact on their education. What they answered on the survey will give a better understanding to administrators what areas need more attention

Tips For the Studying Woes

CHESNEY SIEGERT
Staff Writer



1. Turn hard to remember material into poetry or a song
2. Get organized from the beginning.
3. Set aside time specifically designated to studying.
4. Make sure to read the assignments and review them regularly throughout the semester.
5. Read material you find difficult twice, sometimes a second reading will clarify what you didn't understand the first time.
6. When studying, study for 2-5 hours at a time, and make sure to take breaks during that time to keep your concentration up.
7. Make review tools, like flash cards, outlines, and summaries.
8. Make a list of everything you need to know for an exam, and then check them off as you study them.
9. Make sure to eat right and get enough sleep before an exam
10. When taking an exam, read the directions slowly, for better comprehension.
11. Pace yourself during an exam. Recognize point values, and how much time you can spend on each question.
12. Do what you know first. If a question stumps you, come back to it later so you don't waste time on it.
13. Make sure you're prepared, so you can remain calm, and not get stressed out.

Cures For Summer Time Blues

AMANDA MACNEILL
Staff Writer

Summer is a time that everyone gets excited about. School is out, it's warm outside, and there are so many more things to do. People have so many things they plan for summer. Vacations, work, volunteering, and many other things.

I talked to a few people and found out what they are going to do for the summer.

Some people were getting ready to head off to transfer to another college, some were getting ready to move after graduating from high school, and some were just getting ready to do something exciting.

Jesse Harvey has a lot in mind that he would like to do. Jesse has some friends that live in St. Louis. They called him up and told him to come on out.

Jesse is hoping to leave around the 1st or 2nd of June. He is very determined that he is going, but there could be a few things that may

get in his way of going.

One of Jesse's problems is that he does not have a car to go out to St. Louis. Jesses says that he will not take a bus.

He has thought of a few other ways to get out there. Jesse has a friend who is going to Ohio so he is



thinking that he may catch a ride with him to Ohio, and send his mountain bike so he can get around. From Ohio he plans on hitch hiking. "It's only ten hours from St. Louis I can do it" Jesse says.

Jesse was thinking that maybe he may stay down there the whole summer. The reason for that is because he is going to try to sell his motorcycle.

He is hoping if he sells that then he will have enough money that he won't have to work. If not he is

going to try to find a job that he can work about twenty hours.

Adam Carpenter and Andy Keller both want to set out on a trip to the Rocky Mountains to dig for gold. Other than thinking about that Adam and Andy are both planning on getting ready to move to Mt. Pleasant to start a new education at Central Michigan University.

Both Adam and Andy plan on exploring there career options in Business Management.

Alicia Chandler who is dual enrolled at ACC, she plans on working all summer so when it comes to August she will have enough money to be able to move to Lansing to attend Lansing Community College.

Alicia also plans on roller blading, swimming, canoeing, and camping as much as she can.

Most people are leading somewhat of an exciting summer. Others are leading to the goals that they have and want to accomplish. I hope that everyone has a safe and wonderful summer.



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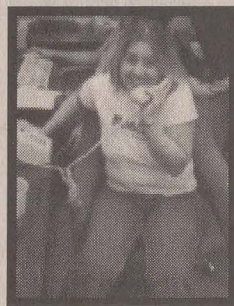
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At the Harborside Mall

(Lumberjack...continued from front page)

Feature editor Ryan Spaulding originates from Pinconning, but graduated from Alpena High School. He started out on the Lumberjack staff his first semester and decided to



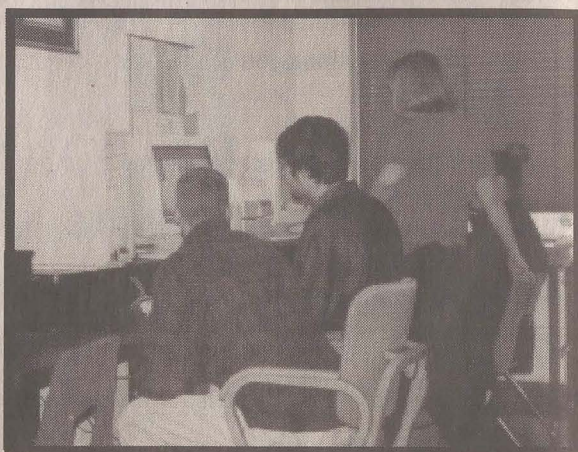
Webb calls a source

become an editor after a talk with Sexton. He thought it would be cool. One thing that Ryan would really like to do is become a scriptwriter. He says that he is still learning, and it is not as easy as everyone thinks. He is transferring to Grand Valley, and is going to be in the film program. If he has time, he might try to do some guest work with their school paper. He feels he gave the Lumberjack another voice, and added one more page in the book. One question that I had to ask, which I am sure everyone would like to

ask him, was "where do you come up with your editorials?" He basically stated that it came from everyday life, whatever he thinks about. He said that people have a hard time writing editorials, when it's your own opinion. You should try to have fun with them; they don't have to always be serious.

Photo editor, Joshua Brege is from Rogers City. He has been on The Lumberjack staff for a year and a half. Josh started out as a staff writer. After one semester at that position,

involved in many functions and organizations at ACC and took interest in photography, he naturally stepped into the position of photo editor. Josh will be transferring to Central Michigan University where he will continue pursuing a degree in secondary education. Josh would like to advise future editors to start their work early on in the production week. "If you start earlier, you are not pressured with time constraints, you don't make as many mistakes, and it makes production

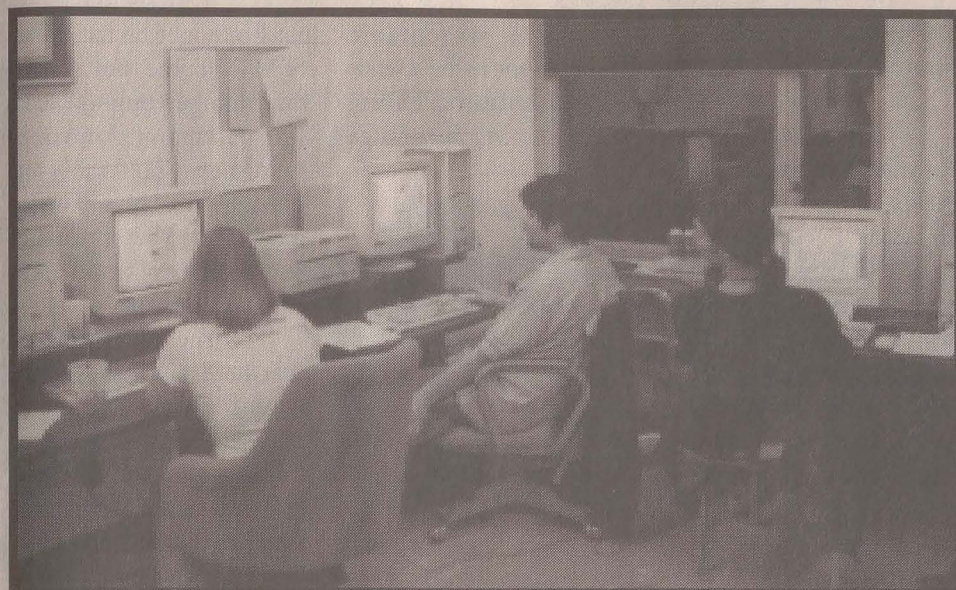


Benac, Brege, Webb Debate their next move

Shawn Sexton encouraged him to become an editor. Since Josh was already

week a lot more fun."

Stephanie Nehring, an Alpena resident, plans on



Lumberjack Editors Hard At Work

joining the Navy after this semester is over. Stephanie was the News Editor for the Lumberjack.

Senior editor Tristram Coffin originates from Tawas but graduated from Midland High School. He has been a member of The Lumberjack staff for two and a half years. He got involved with the newspaper because he thought it would aid himself in pursuing his career in teaching. Tris is currently enrolled in both ACC and Spring Arbor University. One piece of

advice Tris would like to leave for next year's editors is to keep the fun and humor in production week. "And to those who don't know, now you know."

If you are interested in becoming an editor, the first step would be to talk to Lumberjack advisor Shawn Sexton.

He stated that this years editors have overall made the paper bigger and better. There has been better layouts, not many errors as in the past, good variety of

story ideas, and it has been a smooth process all the way.

If you have a genuine interest in journalism, a good mix of creativity, and are responsible, then you are more than welcome to put in an application for an editor position. Mr. Sexton chooses the editors, and he would like to get some people that are coming out of high school, who will be at ACC for the next two years.

Planning On A Bizarre Trip? Check Out Michigan's Crazy Spots

KATHY HINMAN
Staff Writer

If you've got Spring Fever, and you're looking for something unusual to entertain you, and if something slightly odd or even eerie sounds appealing to you, then here are some off-the-wall places for you to visit. You won't have to drive too far to see them because they are all in Michigan.

Evart, which is in the center of the lower-peninsula on U.S. 10 between Clare and Reed City, has been experiencing some strange phenomenon. At the Evart

cemetery there are graves that appear to glow, or shoot sparks. According to a book called "Mystic Michigan," you can best view the graves

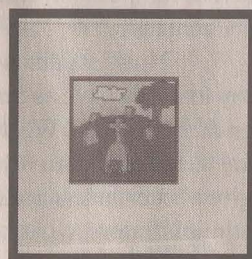


from the first road (80th Ave.) towards town from the cemetery. Keep in mind that you must do this at night. Drive a ways down the road, turn off your car lights and

look out across the field. You should be able to see three headstones that glow.

Rose City, located on M-33 in Lower Michigan, has a place called "Mystery hill". When you drive to a certain location and put your car in neutral, it will seem as if your car is rolling uphill backwards. When you are in the center of Rose City, turn east at the light on Rose City road. About three miles down the road you will turn left on Reasoner road, heading north. After several miles you will cross Heath Road. There is a big curve in the road at the top of a hill

just before you see the dead end. At the level spot (four telephone poles from the curve at the top of the hill) put



your car in neutral, and experience this strange event.

Paulding, located in the western U.P., has an eerie event that happens nearly every clear evening. Strange

circular spheres of light appear to dance on the horizon. The Michigan Forest service has put up signs to indicate the best viewing spot. Locals claim that witnesses have seen the lights since the turn of the century. Viewers say the lights are red, white, and green. Many have tried to explain the lights, but no conclusion has been reached. Michigan Magazine and Channel Six News, out of Marquette, have filmed these lights. You can get there by taking U.S. 2 from the Mackinaw Bridge west to U.S. 45 north.

For more information on Evart's Glowing Graves, call their Chamber of Commerce at (616) 734-5555. For Rose City's Mystery Hill, call (517) 685-2668. For the Paulding Lights call (906) 852-3500. Better yet, purchase the booklets "Mystic Michigan" by Mark Jager, Zosma Publishing, from your local book-store, or order them online at Amazon.com. There are four books in this series and they cost \$7.95 each. "Mystic Michigan" shows you where to explore the phenomenal in Michigan's nature, and discover the bizarre in Michigan's past.

ACC Set to Kick Off 50th Anniversary Celebration

LESLIE HAYES
Staff Writer

What do you do for a 50th Anniversary? Planning is underway for ACC's upcoming celebration of 50 years of serving the community. A kickoff party will be held September 15, and events are being planned to take place throughout the 2002-2003 academic year.

Linda Suneson (358-7210) and Chuck Tetzlaff (358-7252) are co-chairs of the 50th Anniversary Group (they don't want to be called a planning committee.) Along with a small army of others, they are brainstorming ideas and structuring plans for the

future celebration. Suggestions and volunteers are welcomed.

Committees have been broken down into: Alumni Events, Media Events, Historical Events, Food Events, Non-Food Events, Community Coordination Events, and Thank-You Promotional Events. Perhaps you have talents you could contribute to one of these groups?

Administration, faculty, staff, ACC trustees and community members are meeting the first Wednesday of each month in BTC 126 at

4 pm. Chuck Tetzlaff is looking for interested students that want to become involved and will be here next September. He welcomes student input. To date, there have been no students at the meetings with the exception of this reporter.

Many planned events include a nostalgic look back to the 1950's. Get ready to reminisce about the "good old golden schooldays" here at ACC next fall, as ACC prepares to honor a community tradition of excellence begun in 1952.



Student Scholars Had a Chance to Meet the Scholarship Fund Donors that Made their Scholarships Possible at a Recent Scholarship Dinner

Phi Theta Kappa Inducts New Members

LESLIE HAYES
Staff Writer

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) inducted twenty-eight members Sunday, April 7. Nu Omicron is the local chapter at ACC. An afternoon candlelight ceremony was held in the foyer of BTC. A large crowd of friends and family witnessed the formal event.

Phi Theta Kappa is ACC's Honor Society. Members sponsor and participate in activities that provide vehicles for leadership development.

They also conduct service projects for the betterment of both the college and the

community. Currently, they are spearheading ACC's recycling program.

The four hallmarks of



Photo by Joshua M. Brege

PTK are: scholarship, service, leadership and fellowship.

Opening remarks were delivered by PTK advisor Doug Huizenga. Matthew Duncel was the honored speaker. Dr. Davis and Dr. Newport were also present to congratulate the inductees. PTK members conducting the Induction were: Tom Key II, Joel Hoover, Andrea Plume, Selina Wodja, and Jessee Christopherson.

As a first-year advisor, Huizenga's goal is to build participation of the members and get PTK involved in more activities, both social and service.

Out of 220 students that were eligible and invited to join, twenty-eight



Photos by Joshua M. Brege

responded. New members were Nicole Marie Acha, Christine Brule, Jamie Darline Dellar, Darlene Marie Featherstone, Theresa Dawn Harp, Leslie D. Hayes, Donna Sue Karsten, Lisa Marie Kowalski, Todd Joseph Kuffel, Nicolas

Edward Langlois, Rebecca Jean Lawrence, Randall Kenneth Marx, Jeanine Helen McClendon, Julie Kleinm Julie A. Kruttlin and Shari Lynn McLennan,

Also inducted were Julie Suzanne Mousseau, Jenniffer Lynn Ouellette,

Laurie M. Purol, Karen Kathleen Robertson, Charles Ralph Stuart Jr., Amie Lynn Smith. Stacy Marie Townsend, Ryan Browning Townsend, Jamie Lee Villeneuve, Shannon Denise Whitscell, Amy Lynn Williams and Janelle Ann Wozniak.

Mary Henderson a True Inspiration

KARI WHEELER
Staff writer

Mary Henderson, Faculty Compliance Officer at Spring Arbor University (northern region), has lived a life most of us only read about or see on television. She was raised in Mississippi by her Grandma Cora, the daughter of a slave. "Granny lived to be 123 years old, I think she delivered most of the students in our school." Granny was the African oral historian of the family. She passed this tradition on to grandma Cora and now Mary is the oral historian for her family.

Because her grandfather was the son of the slave owner he inherited the plantation. So when he passed Grandma Cora was left with a 610-acre plantation in the heart of Mississippi during the Civil Rights Movement. "Grandma Cora was my hero." The plantation house burned

down taking Grandma Cora with it. That is when Mary came to live with her mother in Saginaw Michigan.

Mary had three children and was attracted to Alpena by Alpena Community College where she could work on her degree. She graduated ACC in 1988 and experienced the loss of her daughter in 1988. Mary then raised three out of her eight grandchildren along with her two surviving children. After completing her associate degree in child and family services Mary worked with troubled youth for nine years.

Mary was then offered a position through Spring Arbor University at ACC to pilot the elementary education program. "Which has really taken off." Considering the dual enrollment with ACC there are a couple hundred students. "It is a community based program that allows people to get an education

who otherwise might not have been able."

When asked where she finds her inspiration Mary responded, "my true source of inspiration is the Lord, beyond that my true love for people. I can never experience enough of a diverse background. I look at it as my own personal ministry to work with people. I like to reach out to people with special needs whatever they may be, social, economic, spiritual, to make a difference." She also expressed her special love for young people and the importance of instilling hope in them, getting them to realize their dreams.

Mary is in the process of writing a book. It will be an autobiographical with focus on earlier African background. She touches many lives and will soon be heard by more. You are truly an inspiration!

Happy Mother's Day

MANDY ALLEN
Huron Shores

It is the second largest holiday for gift giving, the leading day of the year for long distance calling and this holiday has to do with the one thing that everyone has in common: A mother.

Honoring mothers first took place in ancient Greece, where respect was paid to Rhea, the mother of the gods. They called it "Mothering Sunday" in 17th century England. It was celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Lent.

In the U.S., Julia

Howe brought about the idea of Mother's Day in 1872. It was later Anna Jarvis who wrote ministers, businessmen, and politicians to establish Mother's Day. President Woodrow Wilson made an official announcement in 1914 that it should become a national holiday.

The traditional celebration of Mother's Day has changed a lot over the years. It is not only mothers that we celebrate the second Sunday in May. It's anyone from single fathers to aunts, grandmothers, and anyone who plays the mother role. A card by M. Garren reads,

"You may not be my real mom, You may be just on loan—But I love you as if you were my very own."

From cards to phone calls, a lot of money is generated because of this holiday. "This is not what I intended," Jarvis once told a reporter. "I wanted it to be a day of sentiment, not profit!"

Nonetheless this holiday will continue, because after all, they say a mother's work is never done. It will also continue to change to fit our modern day families.

Don't forget to honor the mother figure in your life May 12, 2002.

Kappa Beta Delta Welcomes 37 New Members

ALPENA, MICH. — Alpena Community College's Chi Chapter of Kappa Beta Delta inducted 37 business students into its charter class on Sunday, April 14, 2002. Mr. Steven Christian, Jackson Community College accounting faculty member and president-elect of the

international K B D Board of Directors, delivered the keynote speech entitled "The Glory is in the Future." ACC business/accounting faculty member Linda Suneson provided the opening remarks and business/computers faculty member Mary Jane Thomson presented the candidates for induction.

"We're excited to offer this international honor society to ACC students," said Suneson, who is also

KBD faculty advisor. "It's another way to honor and recognize the students in the accounting and business programs, and another way for students to extend their learning through activities outside the classroom."

The purposes of Kappa Beta Delta are to

elect and are currently brainstorming ways in which they can contribute to the College and Alpena communities.

Membership in KBD is the highest international recognition a business student can receive at a two-year ACBSP-

accredited institution. To be eligible for membership, business students must rank in the upper 20 percent of their class,

have completed 15 credit hours at the institution, have completed 6 credit hours in their program of study, and maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. By accepting membership in KBD, students receive recognition for their outstanding achievements and potential.



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“Once Upon A Mattress” Brings Down The House

JACQIE ALBRO
Staff Writer

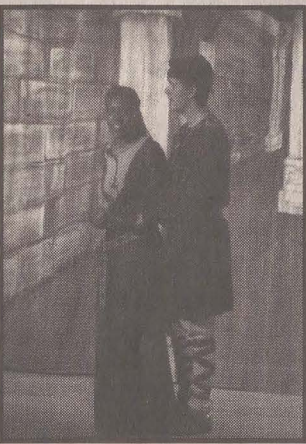
The ACC Players recent production of the play “Once Upon A Mattress” was an amusing take on the centuries old classic The Princess and the Pea. This performance was extremely well done, very entertaining, and the everyone involved put a lot of time and effort into this production to make it an outstanding success.

In the opening scene, the character of the Minstrel, played by Josh Kumrits, began a narration of the story. He stood to one side of the stage with a curtain painted to look like a medieval castle behind him. The Minstrel tells the story that he claims to know how the events really happened.

The play was performed on a set that was made to look like a medieval castle. The castle took up the entire stage, continuing along the side of the theatre. The brick wall unfolded to

become an inner wall of the castle, before folding back up to become the brick wall again.

Stage lights begin to brighten and the audience is able to see that the curtain is transparent and the characters behind it are now visible. The resulting visual



Hello.
Photo By Joshua M. Brege

effect was not expected and was very striking.

In this scene we were introduced to some of the main characters in the play. Queen Aggravain, portrayed by Paula Radka;

King Sextimus the Silent performed by Tyler Wolfrom; Prince Dauntless played by Ross Witherbee; and Princess Winnifred played by Heidi Williams.

A funny parody of a game show happened in which the queen is quizzing a potential bride for her son, Prince Dauntless. The contestant is asked difficult questions, for which she could not possibly know the answers. After failing the test she is dismissed over the objections of Prince Dauntless. This sets up the theme in the play that no matter whom Dauntless brings to his mother for approval, she will not accept her as being good enough for her son.

Radka’s portrayal of the queen as an overbearing, insensitive mother and wife was very convincing making the audience of this performance quickly choose sides as to who should be the eventual victor of this struggle between mother and son.

King Sextimus the Silent on the other hand is a congenial humble servant to his wife who also has a habit of chasing any woman who comes his way, literally sending them running for cover. Wolfrom does an outstanding performance of a king who cannot speak and has to rely on hand gestures, funny expressions, and miming to make his point.

Witherbee’s portrayal of Prince Dauntless, who is smothered by his controlling mother, was funny and an excellent performance of a boy wanting to become a man.

Heidi Williams played the strong willed Princess Winnifred who has come to take the challenge and hopefully wed Prince Dauntless. Casting Williams as Winnifred was perfect. Her energetic performance made one believe that she would prevail.

Several musical numbers along with dancing are interjected during the

scenes, although during the first act of the play is was hard to hear some of the singing over the four-piece band that

also very thorough and convincing as to make you feel as though you were in a real castle. The creativity of



Encore Encore!
Photo By Joshua M. Brege

played. During the second act, microphones were put to better use on behalf of the singers and their voices came through much clearer.

Throughout the play there are several costume changes by the performers. No two costumes were the same and they all were colorful with great detail added.

The set design was

the designers showed by the amount of depth one felt when watching the show.

There were many times that the audience laughed out loud during the performance especially at the antics of King Sextimus and Princess Winnifred who finally passed the test and teaches Queen Aggravain a lesson at the same time.

“We Are The Mulvanys” Definitely Worth Reading

CHESNEY SIEGERT
Staff Writer

High Point Farm, with it’s lavender shutters and cream door. Almost a story book house in it’s beauty and placement in the country. Almost a story book family that lives inside.

In “We Were the Mulvanys”, Joyce Carol Oates creates a flock of deep

and interesting characters. Each person in the Mulvaney family has their own personality and nicknames. Mike “curly” Mulvaney, the father, was cast out from his own family as a young man and has built his life around his new family. Corrine “whistle”, is the mother, who is always fluttering around collecting antiques that she’s supposedly going to sell. The

eldest son, Mike Jr., also known as mule from his high school football career, is an athlete. Patrick “pinch”, is very smart and very interested in science. Marianne “button”, is a popular teen, on the cheerleading squad, and always smiling. And then there’s Andrew, also known as Judd and Ranger. He’s the youngest Mulvaney, and also

the one who is documenting the story.

The bulk of the story takes place in the early 70’s, in a small town called Mt. Ephraim. Judd shows us tidbits of family life and family history. How his parents met, how they came to High Point farm and how the family interacted. The love the parents have for each other and their children. The

different family traditions and inside jokes.

Then he tells us of how his family was torn apart. Something terrible happens and the story book family quickly breaks all their strong bonds with eachother. It’s heart breaking to see the family you were made to love disperse into nothing more than people who once knew eachother.

Though something happens and you are left satisfied in the end, reading “We Were the Mulvanys” is a heart breaking experience that will leave you wondering how a family that had a such an intense love for life and eachother could be ripped apart so easily. It’s a book I definitely recommend.

Dave Matthews New Live Album Not Up to Par

MARK WILMOT
Staff Writer

Dave Matthews Band Live. There’s nothing like it, and the band’s latest live release continues to prove the point.

For me, the best part of listening to DMB live is hearing the band’s improvised jams throughout many of the songs. This live album offers plenty of that on nearly every track.

Guest appearances by Maceo Parker on sax and Tim Reynolds on guitar were great additions to this release. These guests seemed to spark the crowd even more during the band’s frequent jam sessions.

One thing that hindered the album from my

point of view was the set list. Many of the band’s older songs were not included on the track list. It is comprised mostly of tracks from the band’s releases Crash and Between These Crowded Streets. It seems like “The



Dave Matthews Band
Allmusic.com

Watchtower” and “Lie in our Graves” are on every DMB live album. But it was nice to hear rare live versions of “Christmas Song” and “The Last

Stop.”

In comparison, I would rate this album much like one of the band’s previous live releases Listener Supported. The albums have a similar sound to them, though Listener Supported may have better audio quality. Live in Chicago is a good live album, though it isn’t close to the band’s first live release Live at Red Rocks.

Overall, this album is one that any DMB fan will want in their collection. But it probably won’t be the first CD they reach for when looking for a live recording though.

For anyone looking for their first live DMB album I would recommend starting with Live at Red Rocks and later moving on to Listener Supported and Live in Chicago.

STUDENT DANCE CONCERT

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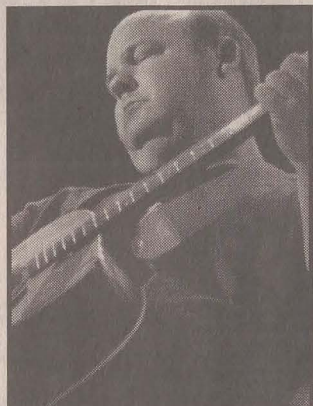
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The Original Designated Drivers

This Damn Concert Was Tenacious

DAN DAVIS
Huron Shores

Some minor technical difficulties couldn't keep the greatest rock band in the world from bringing their own brand of evil to the Deltaplex in Grand Rapids on April 9th. The show, which was supposed to begin at 7:30, finally kicked off at 8:20 when opening band Hometown Heroes took the stage. The crowd showed their frustrations by throwing various objects at them, including cups of beer and handfuls of quarters. The band, however, accepted the beer showers and middle fingers with youthful enthusiasm. The D finally took the stage, looking like the powerful gods of rock they are.

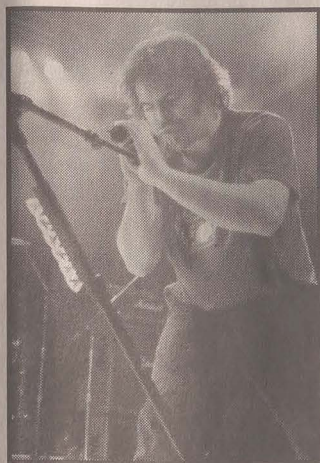


Kyle Gass
Jack Black (from the movies *High Fidelity* and *Saving Silverman*), and Kyle Gass, and they strictly play acoustic guitars the entire show. They opened the show as they open their self-titled CD, with *Kielbasa*, a self-pro-

moting tune that set the pace for the entire show to follow. One fan apparently thought he was at a Limp Bizkit show, because he threw a full beer onto the stage. The lead singer, Jack Black, finished the song and requested a new guitar from his guitar tech, because his was "Hard to play with beer on it."

Other than one or two hoodlums, the band and the crowd formed a hard rocking bond that was undeniable. They went through just about every song on their CD, and even provided a few surprises. The D rocked out a Beatles medley near the end of the show and a version of Blue Oyster Cult's *Fear the Reaper* crossed with System of a Down's *Chop Suey*.

About halfway through the show, they decided that as good as they are, they still



Jack Black

haven't peaked. Jack and Kyle decided to go out in the middle of the desert, trip on LSD, and write their next album...during the concert!

The stage got dark and a large screen was wheeled out. The projector kicked on, and for the next ten minutes the crowd watched as Tenacious D went on an acid trip for the ages. But instead of LSD, they were actually tripping on EPT (yes, the home pregnancy test!).

This is simply the

style and humor of the D - entertainment at no expense. The guys played an extra long set to make up for the technical difficulties that caused the concert to run late. If you like to laugh and you love great music, make sure you get out and see the magic of Tenacious D for yourself. They guarantee to rock your socks off!

13th Floor Gets Groove on at the Grove

SARALYON
Staff Writer

On March 22nd, The 13th Floor rocked the Grove with an amazing performance.

For almost five hours this local band turned out songs by Linkin Park, Korn, Blink 182, Staind, and Dope, just to name a few.

The place was packed to the limit and no one seemed disappointed.

The 13th Floor is a group of four guys who love to entertain. They all have an appetite for a broad spectrum of music.

The band consists of Troy Szatkowski on guitar, Jeff Smith on bass, Nic Wiser on drums, and Kiowa Kirchoff on vocals.

Troy and Jeff founded the band in December of 2000. They've created an ad-

mired band in a credible amount of time.

The guys took into consideration that the local bands weren't playing anything less than a year old.

They wanted to learn new songs that were popular, and songs that you could dance to. The dance floor was completely packed, and you could sing along to almost all the music.

Playing only four to five times a year, the 13th floor takes the time in between to learn new stuff.

They don't want to bore people by performing the same songs over and over. They work hard on the material that they play and it definitely shows.

When asked what advice could be given to people wanting to start a band, Kiowa Kirchoff responded, "First, you need to find



13th Floor, Grove Patrons Living it up

Photo by Sara Lyon

talented people to play with who can take the band seriously but not too much.

Also, you have to keep things fun or you'll never get much accomplished." Kiowa suggested learning a couple of songs and once you're comfortable with them to go to an open mic night and play at the 10th Avenue bar and grill.

He said that it's free and it's a good chance to meet people, build up a fan base, talk to other local talent, test out your skills,

and get feedback.

"Not only is it fun," Kiowa added, "you'll get the bug and want to play again."

Another band that you can catch at the Grove is Redneck Chrome. They play there quite a lot and also put on a great show.

If you would like any more information such as upcoming shows or bios on the band members, visit The 13th Floor's website at <http://www.thirteenthfloormusicpod.com>

R. Kelly and Jay-Z Better Off Solo

MARK WILMOT
Staff Writer

The King of hip-hop flows on the lyrics of R&B's master. Sounds like the best of both worlds to me. Jay-Z and R. Kelly both shine individually, but can they do it together?

The thing that made this album so exciting in the first place may be the very thing that hinders it. The expectation. Upon release, I was expecting an album full of hot collaborations. After Jay-Z and R. Kelly released the party theme song "Fiesta" in 2001 everyone knew they were capable.

Unfortunately, I found that this album was a few tight remixes short of becoming a classic. While track 2, "Body," comes closest to being the next "Fiesta" it is one of the only party tracks on the album.

I was impressed with the integration of the

two artists on the album. With Jay-Z rapping in New York and R. Kelly singing in Chicago, the mixing of the songs couldn't have been easy. The album could probably have been improved had the two been together during production.

Many of the songs on the album sound alike, since they all have a similar format. Jay-Z's rhymes on top of R. Kelly's always-impressive lyrics dominate the album. Guest appearances by Lil' Kim and Beanie Sigel add some welcomed diversity to the album.

Overall I'd have to rate this album a buy because of its superstar creators. Though I must admit that it isn't their best work. Dedicated hip-hop fans will enjoy this album, but everyone else should probably stick to Jay-Z and R. Kelly's solo albums.

Music World, L-jack Staff Mourn Layne Staley

Layne Staley
1967 - 2002

Photo from BBC News

ERIC BENAC
Entertainment Editor

It came as a shock to the Lumberjack Staff when we learned of Layne Staley's death. Staley was the lead singer of the band Alice In Chains.

Several of us on the staff were fans of his music, and we were truly sad to hear of his death. Forming his band, Alice In Chains, in 1987, they were for runners in the grunge revolution in music.

They were one of the first grunge bands to have a hit with "Man In The Box." They continued making albums, wracking up hit songs throughout the 90's.

Staley formed the band, Mad Season, in 1995 with Matt McCready from Pearl Jam. They lasted one

album, and a hit song "River Of Deceit." This came after Alice In Chain's self-titled album, which was the last album of new material the band ever released.

It was later revealed that Staley had developed a horrible heroin habit. The band went on hiatus after the release of their self-titled album.

A box set of unreleased songs, demos, and live tracks from Alice's past was released in 1999, and they released a live album in 2000, which seemed to seal the band's fate.

Nothing was heard of Staley until Saturday, April 20th, when the body taken from his apartment was positively identified. A heroin overdose is the suspected cause of death. He was 34.



Photo by Sara Lyon



Amanda Amlotte glazes pottery



Lynn Radka prepares a sculpture for the art show

Students Get Prepared For An Evening With The Arts

ROBIN DIMARZO

Staff Writer

Over 600 original works of art and photography on display, chamber music playing softly in the background, and a hors d'oeuvre reception.

Not the scene at one of New York's trendy art exhibits but rather what visitors can expect at Alpena Community College's upcoming "An Evening With The Arts".

This student talent showcase, sponsored by the ACC Fine Arts Department, will be held at

East Campus Friday, May 3rd from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The event is open to the public and is free of charge.

According to Laurie Wade, an ACC art instructor, the show will offer a wide variety of exhibits from sculpture and ceramics to design, painting and photography.

In addition, there will be musical performances, featuring the Chamber Ensemble, throughout the evening.

Visitors can also enjoy poetry and short story readings in celebration of the second publication of Facets, a volume of work

highlighting ACC student writing and visual art.

Wade went on to say that she has been involved with "An Evening With The Arts" since former ACC instructor Joe Donna had the idea some thirteen years earlier.

She explained that the role of an art student is not just to create but also to present their work in such a way so others can take part in the experience.

This show is a great opportunity for them to learn how to do that.

Christy Golder, one of Facets student editors, commented that "An

Evening With The Arts" is a good opportunity for students to showcase their creativity.

Kathy Ellsworth, also a student editor with Facets, added that even though Alpena may not be New York we still have a great deal of culture to offer.

If you're looking for a great cultural experience you don't have to catch the next flight out. Join ACC in celebration of a very talented group of students and spend "An Evening With The Arts." Any questions please contact the ACC Fine Arts Department at (989) 356-9021 ext. 7343.

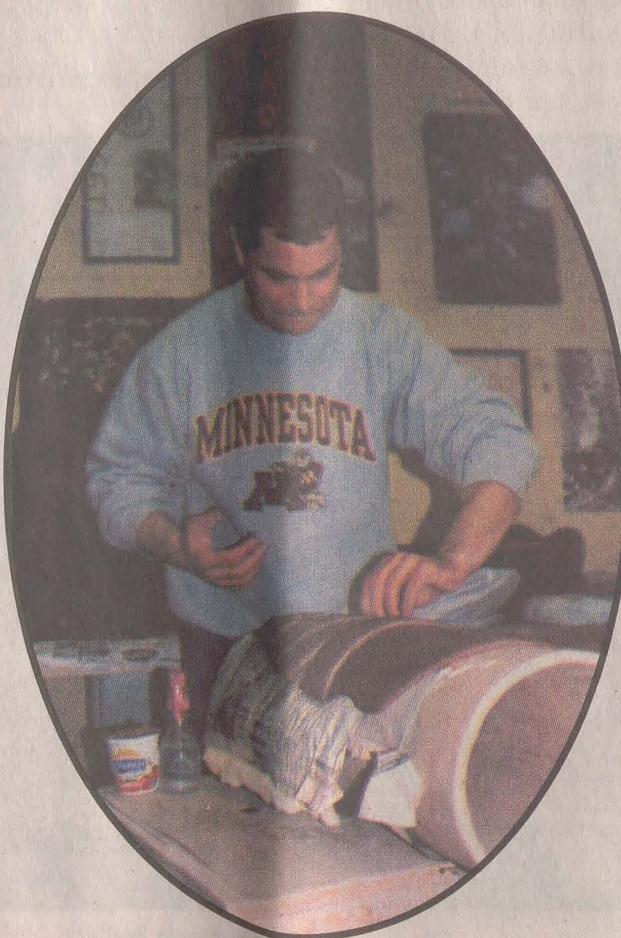
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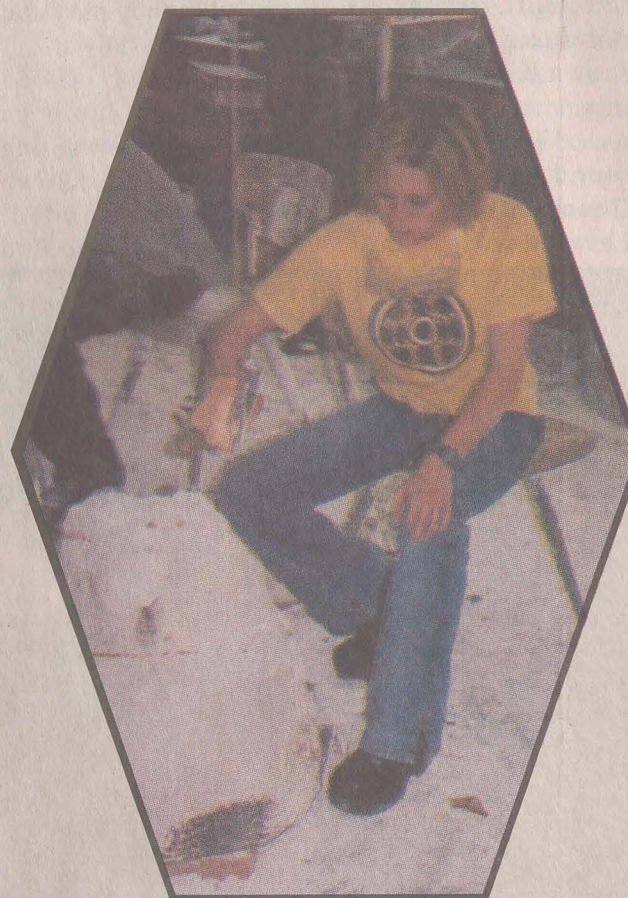
Mike LaBell prepares the photo enlarger



April Ahlgren adds some muscle to the mix



A Young Student from Minnesota?



Sarah Ratliff works on her art